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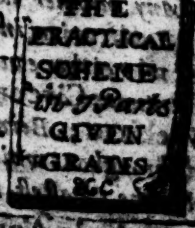

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To the Worthy Dr. Paul Chamberlen.

SIR, *Having had the Honour to Communicate to you The Preparations of the Following Remedies, and you having been pleased to honour them with your* Approbation, *This opportunity is here taken to inform the World of the particular esteem You are pleased to have for them. Your so frequent sending for these Remedies to Cure your own Patients with, is not for want of knowing the best Methods of Cure in these Cases, if you would but give your self the Trouble to undertake them: But your Practice lying another Way, You was pleased to say that Your particular Value for THESE Remedies made you use 'em to Cure your Patients with. The Former Editions therefore of this Book having been Honour'd with your Esteem, encourages the Continuance of it to the World under the Protection of your* Great NAME.

AND *since among all the Diseases Mankind is afflicted with, there is none that Bids fairer for Ruin than This: 'tis consequently a* Common Good *to assist such unhappy Persons. But this Book not being design'd to be a long* Speculative *Treatise of this Distemper, but only a Short* Practical *Instructive Account of it, and it's Cure; all unnecessary Preambles of it's* Antiquity, Different Names, *&c. are omitted, the knowledge of which will not make a Person a bit the better: & the Reader only entertained with what shall be Necessary to understand his Case by, & to Cure himself. And indeed 'tis such a little Instructive Book as This, that Gentlemen want, & others want; whose Aim to be sure is to get themselves* WELL, *and not to be Informed How many* Different Names *the Disease has? Whether known to the Ancients or not? And such like matters Alien to their Cure. 'Tis sufficient to their Sorrow that it is Misfortunately known to* Them: *Therefore* Their *business is to get CURED of it as Soon as they can. Gentlemen are Ill, & 'tis a CURE They want: And this not Any sort of CURE: Not a Bilse Palliative CURE by pernicious Mercurials & Astringents: But — A* Pleasant *Cure, without long Courses and Loads of Physick: — An Expeditious Cure, that's Soon over. — A Safe Cure, without Danger of Relapse. — An* Easy *Cure, without Confinement at Home. And a* Private Cure, *that* No Body *may know any thing of the Matter.*

These then being the Articles which Persons in these Unhappy Circumstances want; In order that they may receive Assistance from this little Book, it is endeavoured to be so very Plain, Methodical, & Instructive, *as* PRACTICALLY *to contain what may be necessary for them Rightly to understand their Case by, and obtain a Cure, without having their Reputation in Any manner exposed, as Numbers have happily experienced since its First Publication in the Year 1713. which renders it worth any ones* Reading, *who either ever Were: Are now: Or probably may be in any such Misfortunate* Circumstances *whatsoever; & wish their own &* Posterities Welfare; *Being A* Compleat, Instructive *Account of this Disease: And throughout which the most Modest Class of Mankind shall not be shocked: Nor the Chastest Mind even Sullied or Offended.*

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PART 1st. Of The SECRET DISEASE.

Chap. I. *What the* Venereal *or* Secret Disease *is? Or* (which is the same thing) *What is meant by a Person's having the* Secret Disease? *Or: What it is that Persons* (properly speaking) *ail, who have the* Venereal *or* Secret Disease *upon them?*

THE General opinion of Authors who have writ on this Subject is, That a promiscuous mixture of different Company with one and the same Person Corrupting in the Body, becomes a Matter of such a Venomous and Infectious Nature, as will Infect, Fret, & Corrupt any Part of a Human Body it Fixes upon.

When therefore a Person has been in Circumstances from whence afterwards they find such Uneasynesses in their Bodies, as to give them Reason to believe that they have contracted This Distemper; these Uneasynesses (*in one Word & to be short in the Matter*) proceed from *This*: That having received from an Infected Companion some of that Corrupted Venomous Matter with which their Companion was Infected, this *Matter* has also Fretted & Corrupted that Part that has received it, and thereby caused those Uneasynesses and *Disorders* they complain of.

Sometimes too much *Overstraining, Lifting great Weights, Jumping, Wrestling, Blows, &c.* will cause a *Weakness & Running*, very much resembling the *Secret Disease*: the Cure of which belongs to such a *Restorative Method* as is proposed hereafter in the 2d *Part*.

Also: This *Disease* may be contracted by *Lying* in the same Bed *with* an *Infected Person*: Or by a *Nurse's Suckling* an *Infected* Child: Or a Child sucking an *Infected Nurse*: Or by immodest *Dalliances, &c.* from a *Conveyance* of the *Infectious Particles* from *one Body* to another.

Chap. II. *Of the Division of the Progresses which the* Secret Disease, *(if not timely prevented) makes in a Human Body, into* Three *different* Stages *or* Degrees. *The First Stage of the* Secret Disease.

WHen a *Person* is with an *Infected Companion*, some of that *Venereal Corrupted Matter* just now mentioned, is received by the Sound *Person*, not only on the *Part Outwardly*, by it's being Wet and besmeared with it: but also it insinuates it's self up the Orifice of the Passage into the Body *Inwardly*. So that the *Infection* being thus both *Outwardly* & *Inwardly* received, it soon begins to *Fret, Corrode, Corrupt*, & *Eat* thro into, not only the Pores of the *Skin Outwardly* of the Part that has thus received it, & so causes it to grow *Red, Angry, Sore, Hot, Swell'd* & *Inflam'd Outwardly*: But also it creeps & insinuates it self up into the Passage, where it likewise creates *Small Blisters*, & little *Ulcers* with *Foulness & Corruption* in them, which makes the Passage *Raw* & *Sore Inwardly*.

Just as the *Powder* of *Spanish Flies*, raises *Wheals & Blisters* wherever it Touches & lies but some little time: Or as *Aqua Fortis* Eats thro, *Frets, Corrodes*, & *Excoriates* any thing it Touches. And from this FOULNESS & SORENESS of the Passage it is, that Proceeds,

1st That putrid foul Matter which Comes away, & appears in *Drops* like Corruption, especially upon Squeezing the *Part*.

2*ly*. That Pain called *Heat* or *Scalding of Urine*: Not that the *Urine* is Hotter in it self at that Time then others, but being of a Salt Brackish Nature, as it runs thro the Sore Passage, it makes it Smart, and so seems to Burn and Scald as any other Raw Sore place Divested of its *Scurf Skin* wou'd do, if *Urine* or *Salt water* were put upon it. And thus far is the First Stage.

The 2d Stage or Degree of the Secret Disease.

IF the Symptoms of the First Stage are not remedied in time, the Infection soon insinuates it's self farther up into the Body, & there also creates FOUL Ulcers: So that from the Additional Foulness and Corruption of these New Ulcers it is, that THAT *Dripping* of ill coloured matter, which in the First Stage was only a meer *Owzing*, Now in THIS 2*d* Stage, becomes what is commonly called a RUNNING (by the Vulgar *of the Reins*) & is usually attended with *Swellings* & Pains in the Groins, & Testicles, *Shancrous Ulcers*, & a *Cording* or *Binding Pain*, called a *Cordee*, which is a *Contraction* of the Bridle of the *Foreskin* in *Men*, from it's being swell'd which makes it Thicker & Shorter, & therefore it pulls down the *Part* as if it were Girt hard with a *Cord*, causing great *Pain*, *especially* in the *Night* when the *Person* is warm in *Bed*. And this is the 2*d Stage*.

The 3d and last Stage of the Secret Disease.

WHen the Symptoms hitherto mentioned are not timely taken away, the *Infection* Penetrates farther and farther into the Body, 'till it mixes it self with the Blood, which being Corrupted by it, the Body breaks all out so into *Ulcers*, *Boiles*, *Buboes*, *Spots*, & *Blotches*, with *Pains*, Restless Nights, &c. as to threaten (*if not remedied in time*) the *Ruin* & *Overthrow* of the whole *Constitution*. And This is the *Third & Last* unhappy Degree of the *Disease*, in which in plain *English*, and without mincing the *Matter*, it now changes its old Name of a *Clap* into that of the POX.

From what therefore has been here said, it plainly appears, That

IN the 1*st Stage* of this *Distemper*, Persons have commonly some small *Heat* of *Urine*, with a little *Inflammation*, *Swelling*, *Heat*, & *Redness* Outwardly of the Parts, with little *Owzings* and Drippings of Foul Corrupted Matter from the *Urinary Passage*.

In the 2*d Stage*, They have (*besides these Symptoms*) also a RUNNING of *foul Matter*, with (usually) a Cordee, & Swellings in the *Groins & Testicles*, little *Blisters*, *Wheals*, *Pustules*, &c on the part.

In the 3*d* and Last *Stage*, The Blood is Infected, the Juices & Fluids of the Body are Vitiated & Corrupted, with Breakings out, *Buboes*, *Blotches*, *Boiles*, *Swellings*, *Spots*, *Pains*, *Restless Nights*, &c.

Thus far this Distemper commonly makes it's Havock, if a Stop be not put to it's Progress in time, as it gradually proceeds from one Degree to another. But least Some Persons (notwithstanding what has been hitherto said) may not yet sufficiently know what ails them, not observing the Approaches of it so Nicely as here has been done; thro Inadvertency complaining of Latter Symptoms, without taking much notice of Former; & indeed Constitutions being different, they do differently appear. Here therefore follow some more obvious *Rules*, which *Every one* may know their *Case* by.

Chap. III. *The usual Signs & Appearances by which* This Distemper *discovers it self, more particularly and fully described.*

WHen a Person has been in the unhappy *Circumstances* of contracting this Distemper, At it's First *Appearance* it often-times shews it self in different *Manners*, according to the difference of *Constitutions* of *Persons*; Different Degrees of *Infection* received; & different ways of it's being received, Some *Persons* receiving the *Infection* more *Outwardly* on the Part, Others more *Inwardly* into the Passage: tho generally speaking Every one partakes a little of BOTH. But be that as it will:——In *Most* Persons, what is commonly called A CLAP, At First shews it self by a *Redness*, *Heat*, *Swelling*, *Inflammation*, *Itching*, *Tingling* & *Soreness* of the Part.

In Others, only a seeming insignificant little Red Spot, Wheal, or Pimple will appear on the Part, not unlike to a Flea Bite or Meazle, which growing sore like little *Thrushy* Ulcers on *Childrens Mouths*, by Degrees becomes what is usually called a *Shancre*: So that altho this *Disease* is in many without any *Appearance* of *Shancres*, yet in Some they are early Symptoms of it.

Some Persons in the begining have a foul clammy corrupted *Matter Gathering* & issuing out (*not from the Passage it self, but*) from underneath the *Pleats & Folds* of the outward *Fore-skin*, which frets the *Part* where it lies, making it Sore & Raw, with little Pimples, Pustules, *Wheals*, *Blisters*, & *Shancrous Ulcers* on it.

In Many Persons these Symptoms are followed by such a particular *Swelling* of the *Foreskin* it self, as to become thereby Purst up & immoveable, being *Red*, *Sore*, *Tender*, *Angry*, *Hot* & *Inflam'd*, with it's Bridle so straitned, as to cause that *Cording Pain* above.

In those Persons where the Infectious matter has chiefly fixt it self just within the Fine and most exquisitely sensible Cuticula at the Orifice of the *Part*, it creeps down the *Urethra*, where in a little Time it ulcerates & frets the *Passage*: And the Part becomes so swell'd, as that the Orifice appear larger than usual.

Hence it is, that Many *Persons* at the *Begining* of this *Distemper* have a kind of *Burning*, & *Itching*, with little *Dartings*, *Tinglings*, *Twitchings & Shootings* in the *Passage*, especially towards the *End* of it, where the *Infection* first made it's Attack, with a *Smarting Pain* in making *Water*, & frequent *Inclinations* to it, but it is only by a little at a time: And Which usually grows Paleish & Muddy.

In Some Persons The Distemper appears without much *Heat* of *Urine*, *Swelling*, *Redness*, or *Pain*: But only by a small *Dripping* away at First of foul *Matter* which afterwards turns to a *Running* which is Nature's Favour (*commonly, tho improperly, called a Gonorrhœa*) & which Matter as it Dries & Clots on the Orifice of the Passage, in a manner Gums & Glues it up, & thereby many times hinders the free *coming* away of the *Urine*, by dividing it into a *Double Stream*.

This *Matter Dripping* away is at First in Some Persons of *no* very ill colour; but as the Ulcers in the *Passage* by a continuance of the Disease grow more corrupted, it degenerates into a more yellowish or greenish *Colour*, *staining* the *Linnen* of a *Yellowish* or *Greenish Hue*

WOMEN very often mistake this Symptom for another *Infirmity* incident to their Sex, till either *Breakings out*, *or Swellings*, or greater *Superabundancy* & *Increase* of *Quantity* in the *Matter* flowing away, as well as it's unnatural *Colour* discovers the Error.

In Some Persons after a little Running, one or both *Testicles* become Swell'd & Painful; upon which the *Running* commonly ceases, because the *Corruption* that should Flow away, falls down thither, & causes cold Shiverings, Faintings, Sick Qualms, *&c.* And as these grow better, the Running usually returns again.

In Other Persons this *Disease* begins with an unusual Pain in the *Members* and Rouling of the *Testicles*, with Swellings in the *Groins*, Pains in the *Legs*, *Arms*, *Shoulders*, *Reins*, *Head*, *&c.*

In Some, little thin *Bladders* full of clear *Water* will appear on the *Part*, like little *Wheals* or *Blisters* from a light *Burn* or *Scald.*

Other Persons with (*& sometimes without*) these Symptoms will have *Pains* in their *Head*, *Arms*, *Shins*, *Shoulders*, *Loins*, *Reins*, *&c.*

In Others a Soreness & Debility (as if from a Cold & Weariness) all over the *Joints & Limbs*, succeed to the aforementioned Symptoms, with Dulness of the Spirits, Heavyness, Melancholy, Heat in the Palms of the Hands, Soreness in the Throat, *&c.*

In Some, only an involuntary Dripping of foul Matter appears, without any Inflammation, Soreness or Pain at all.

In Others again no other Symptoms appear, then a *Watery* Humor *Tinged* with *Blood*, as is usual in slight *Excoriations.*

These more or less are the usual Symptoms of the Disease & Signs of *Infection* in the begining, proportionably *both* in *Men* & *Women*, only with this *Difference*, that they commonly vary in *Distinct* Bodies: Some happening to Some Bodies, Others to Others, insomuch that it rarely happens that 2 *Persons Infected* have *Symptoms* alike, but differ, according to the Difference of their Temperaments, & Constitutions: Greater or less Degree of Infection received: Height of Malignity & Infection in the Giver: (there being a Difference between *Burning* ones *Finger* with the snuff of a *Candle*, & a Red Hot *Iron*) & *Distance* of *Time* since it was Received.

For which reason Some Persons find no Hurt for some *Time* after having been in *Company*: Others find it immediately: so that Some *Persons* shall have a slight *Injury* hanging on them for some time, without giving much *Uneasyness*; when Others shall be severely *Pepper'd* in a few *Days*: For the *Degree* of *Infection* does not *Depend* so much on the *Quantity* of *Venomous Matter* received, as on the *Virulency*, & *Acrimony* of it. But where the Malignity received, & Symptoms that appear, are greater then here Described, there's no need for a Person to be informed what ails them, if they only Reflect in whose *Company* they have been: *Their* Case is clear enough.

When a Person has still some *Owzing*, *Dripping* or small *Running* either with, or without wandring Pains like a *Rheumatism*: Or *Spots*, *Pimples*, & Breakings out like the *Scurvy*, with frequent Uneasynesses after former Cures, 'tis a shrewd *Mark* that they were not well Cured, & therefore ought yet to take something to carry off, either the fatal Remains of *Mercury*, or the Infection.

And in reality a great many in the World pass under the Notion of having the *Stirvy*, *Kings-Evil*, *Gout*, *Rheumatism*, &c. which at the bottom, were they but *Traced up to their true Origin*, are little else than *Chips of the Old Block*, from some Lurking *Remains* of this Disease, which either They themselves have formerly had, or Transmitted to them from their Ancestors, whose *Sins Children are* often-times *Visited with, even to the 3d & 4th Generations*. And which might easily have been prevented had the Matter been but rightly managed in the begining; Hence it appears of what Consequence it is *both* to ones *self* & *Posterity*, to *Remedy* these *Evils* in time.

Nor does even the Celebrated reputed Virtue of SOME Certain Ancestors put any Obstacle at all to this Doctrine, this being so much the *Weak-side* of almost the whole World that even your *Apparent*, *Starched*, *Demure Canting* Saints in other respects, to the Eyes of the World, will nevertheless in Private Hug this Darling Sin, & secretly have a *Miss* in a *Corner*; & as *Hudibras* says,

Damn those Sins they have no mind to:
But Compound with those they are inclin'd to.

Where these abovemention'd *Symptoms* are neglected & let run on, or a Person has met with an imperfect or ill Cure, or the too imprudent Use of *Astringent Remedies*, or *Mercury* has preceeded, then the whole *Constitution* begins to pay *Dearly* for it, by uneasy restless *Nights*, *Spots*, *Scabs*, & *Breakings-out*, Pains in the *Head*, NOSE, *Arms*, *Shoulders*, *Shins*, *Loins*, *Throat*, *Sore Eyes*, &c. with a *Weakness* & *Wearyness* over the whole Body, a *Short Consumptive Cough*, *Swimings* & *Dizzyness* in the *Head*, &c. All which oftentimes terminate in the *End* in what the Vulgar commonly call a DRY POX.

WHen therefore *Any Person* upon comparing their *Case* with this *little Book*, shall find themselves in any of the *Conditions* here *Described*, they ought soon to have recourse to some *Remedy*; & Harbour no doubt of their Case, as too many to their own Ruin too Long do: who thro an unwillingness to be in such a pickle, (desirous as most are to put off the Evil Day) will hardly be perswaded that their Case is what it is: or at least fancy that it will wear off of it self, without taking *any Thing* for it. To which vain perswasion are oftentimes owing those *Broken Constitutions*, & Level'd *Noses*, so frequent in the World; & which might have been Remedied in the begining had but the thing been taken in time.

For the property of this *Disease* is such, being of a very *Active Nature*, that when it lies *Hid*, it lies not Idle, but Rivets it self the Deeper, the longer it is neglected: and will appear sooner or later, when perhaps Persons least expect it. For which reason it is not safe to neglect the least Apprehensions of it, by Vainly thinking it will go off of it self, which is a meer Delusion, and the Ruin of many a One, who had they but taken it in the begining, might have been Cured perhaps in a Day or 2, but by Neglect & delay, have been forced to *Salivations*, & other such *Tedious*, *Painful*, & oftentimes *Pernicious* Methods of Cure, & perhaps became NOSELESS into the bargain at last.

Chap. IV, *Of the true Method of Cure of this Diſeaſe in Every one of it's 3 Stages.* *The Cure of the* First Stage.

THE *Symptoms* of this Firſt Stage being a *Heat, Redneſs, Inflammation*, & *Swelling*, with little *Sores* on the Part *Outwardly*, as well as little *Bliſters* & Foul Ulcers up a little *Way* within the Paſſage *Inwardly*, from whence proceeds the ſmarting *Pain* in making *Water*, & the Dripping away of foul Matter: Theſe *Inconveniencies* ſince they are moſtly *Outward* ones, by conſequence may be in a great meaſure Cured, with a *Proper Outward Cleanſing and Detergent Liquor* or *Lotion*, which the *Patients* themſelves may *Privately Waſh* and *Cleanſe* the Part with, and thereby *Cleanſe* off the *Venom* before it ſhall have gained farther *Footing* in the Body, without much *Purging* or taking any great matter of Phyſick *Inwardly*: The moſt Eaſy & compendious *Method of Cure* of this Diſeaſe that *Can* be: For by thus uſeing this Lotion in the begining of the Diſtemper, the Symptoms of this *Firſt Stage* are *many* times ſo taken away, that a Cure is thus performed without any more *Trouble*; And therefore THAT Degree of the Diſeaſe might be by this means *Remedied* with little or no *difficulty*, which otherwiſe oftentimes coſts a long tedious Cure. So that what a pity 'tis, that Perſons ſhou'd be put upon ſuch Nauſeous Loads & Courſes of *Phyſick* as they uſually are, to get Cured of only the Firſt *Stage* of this Diſeaſe, which might be cured by a much more *Eaſy, Agreeable*, & *Compendious Method*, if but rightly & skilfully managed.

But Altho it may ſometimes happen that Perſons ſlightly *Infected*, may by the *timely* Uſe of *Outward* Means be freed from the *Injury*; Yet *Generally ſpeaking*, 'tis not ſafe to rely *too* much on this *Method*: *The* reaſon is, Becauſe altho the *Infection* may be but ſlightly received; yet the *Blood Circulating* thro thoſe parts where it lies, eaſier then is *Imagined* takes along with it ſome of it's minuteſt particles, being of ſo ſubtle a Nature, as to inſinuate themſelves into the Juices of the *Body* ſooner then Perſons are aware of.

And hence it is, that the Blood comes ſo eaſily as it Dayly happens, to be *Infected* by this Diſeaſe, & that even the *Pox* it ſelf may ſometimes proceed from a ſmall Venereal *Pimple, Puſh, Ulcer, Bliſter, Wheal or Shancre*, if not Remedied in time. So that as it is not ſafe, to depend *altogether* on Outward Applications, to cure the *Venom* of a *Viper*, or Bite of a *Mad Dog* (*tho only outward Injuries*) without, for more ſurety, taking ſome *Antidote Inwardly*, to carry off whatever of the *Poyſon* may have ſtole into the Blood: So 'tis very adviſeable for perſons, altho' their Condition may be to their own thinking but ſlight, beſides the uſe of *Outward Means*, to take (a little at leaſt) of ſome SAFE thing *Inwardly*, to carry off whatever of the *Venom* may have penetrated farther. The leſs will do, and it can do no harm, but will confirm the Cure, by driving out whatever *Snake may lurk in the Graſs*: *Whereas* dangerous *Aſtringents, & Churliſh Precipitates*, (*unleſs the poor Patient's Clap prove a very Good Natur'd One indeed*) may *Precipitate* him into a worſe *Condition* then his Diſtemper, by either *Breaking* a ſound *Conſtitution*, or making a *Bad* one *Worſe*.

If persons should here say, That if this be true, To whom therefore must they apply themselves? Since according to this *Doctrine*, 'tis so hard to light into *Good Hands*, & upon good *Medicines*. Must all perish who don't take One certain *Remedy*? Are there no more ways to a *Wood* then One? Nor no more ways to kill a poor Dog, then to down-right *Hang him*?

The answer to this is: Apply your self to one, who you have reason to think, has made this *Distemper* his particular Study; It being possible that a Person may be otherwise a very good *Physician* or *Surgeon*; & yet when the Question comes to be about THIS Distemper, may know but little of the matter: as a Person may be a great *Physician*, & yet not know either how to *Bleed*, *Couch a Cataract*, or *Draw a Tooth*: all which nevertheless are *Branches* of *Physick*. So that 'tis not enough to live at the *Sign* of the *Surgeons-Arms*, or have *Ones* Name over *Ones Door* as *Surgeon* to be able to Cure this Distemper, unless a Person have also *Learning* & Experience to go along with it.

The Cure of the 2d Stage.

THE *Progress the Disease* makes in This *Stage* causing that little *Dripping or Oozing* of foul Matter in the foregoing *Stage* to degenerate NOW into a perfect *Running*, with *sometimes Swellings in the Groin, Cording & Binding Pains, &c. The Method* just now mentioned for the *1st Stage*, must be made use of also in This, with this *Addition* to it, that whatever *Anti-Venereal Remedy* be made use of, A Dose or 2 more of it must be taken Here, then for the *1st Stage*, the better to *Search out* & *carry* off the *Infection* out of the Body: which being once effected, the *Running* & other *Uneasynesses* will be taken away, & the *Parts* rendred *Easy* & *Sound*.

For if the *Infection* be not well carried off, before the *Running* is taken away, or any *Astringents* used to stop it, there will be still *Anguis in Herbâ* & no *True Cure*; But as Dr *Sydenham* says, the Person in having too nimble a Cure of a *Clap*, may be *Poxt*, by having the *Venom* thrown into his Blood: *Ægrescitque medendo*, says *Virgil*. So that 'tis hard to say, which *Ruines* most, *The Doctor* Or *the Disease*.

But yet for all this, a moderation must be used as to the *Purging Part*: For unless due Regard be also had to *Healing* & *Strengthning* the Parts in *Venereal* Cures, you may sometimes Purge a Person off their Legs, & ruin their *Constitution* without Curing them. So that 'tis not *Purging* with Every common Purge will do: No: it must be some Peculiar *Medicine*, and Method of Cure, whose Property is to Root out, & Carry off in Particular a Venereal Infection, and then *Heal* up & strengthen the injured & weakned Parts. And in such a *Method* as this, Persons will find a satisfactory Cure. As Numbers have happily experienced of late Years since the following Remedy has been Published.

The Cure of the 3d and Last Stage.

THE great *Effect* of this last *Progress of the Distemper* consisting in the *Blood's* being *Tainted* by it, from whence *proceed* those *Blotches*, *Boiles*, *Spots*, *Pains* & other *Uneasynesses* usually *complained of*, altho a *Salivation* if *well* performed be without *dispute* a most excellent *Means* to *Cleanse* the *Body*, yet A *Salivation* not being *very*

agreable to many *Persons Inclinations*, other more acceptable *Methods of Cure*, are now successfully made use of. For if, after the *Salivation* is over, the *Effects* of it be not well carried *out of the Body*, the old *Proverb* is frequently *verified*, that *The Remedy* in the end proves *worse than the Disease*: And indeed to speak the truth, 'tis hard to say which is the *Cause* of more *Spoiled and Broken Constitutions*, whether the Disease it self, Or it's Cure by ill *Methods*.

This being therefore so; *A Method of Cure* must be made use of, that may strike at once without any more ado at the *Root* of the *Infection* by entering into the Mass of Blood, & there to search out the *Venereal Venom*, & carry it out of the Body: which being once performed, the *Pains* will cease, the *Spots*, *Blotches*, & other *Breakings out* will *vanish*, & the *Constitution*, will (with some little *proper Helps*) be again *Established*, *Mended* & *Repaired*. And which, if skilfully undertaken may be performed without *Salivation* or *Astringents*, as numbers have happily experienced since the *Publication* of the following *Specifick Remedy*, whose Soverain use belongs to all the 3 *Stages* of the Distemper with this difference. That — In the 1st *Stage* A little of it performs a Cure. — In the 2d, A Dose or *Two* more will be necessary. And — In the 3d, A little more will be still requisite, entirely to carry off the Infection.

Some ACUTE Distempers as *Fevers*, *Small Pox*, *&c.* may indeed sometimes require the *Attendance* of a *Physician*, that *Future Prescriptions* may be regulated by *Present Observations*, & those new Changes such *Distempers* will produce. Other Distempers, *viz.* LOCAL ones (*of which* This *is one*) do not absolutely require such *Attendance*, but may be cured in the *Absence*, as with the presence of a *Physician*. If therefore *Persons* are but furnished with the RIGHT *Specifick Thing* for the *Distemper*, & Directions for its use, they can not well err in the *Application*, but *may* cure themselves PRIVATELY, & NO BODY know any thing of the matter. The reason is: The Cure of this Distemper consisting in the Government of ones self, as to *Eating*, *Drinking*, *Exercise*, *&c.* joined with the use of such a *Remedy*,, Persons may (if they WILL) do this of themselves, as well as if they had several *Physicians* by.

Chap. V. *Of a Certain* Specifick Remedy *for the* Secret Disease.

THis Remedy is that Famous *Anti-Venereal Secret* First Published in *London* in the Year 1713, along with *The Practical* Scheme: And has with so much Success been continued to be Published ever since. 'Tis also that *Great Secret* which the late Dr. *Chamberlen* had such an Esteem for, as to Recommend it to his Patients & Acquaintance. One of which his Patients in particular for many Years had been in a deplorable Condition, and of which Dr. *Mead*, Dr. *West*, & several other eminent Physicians, as also Mr. *Giffard*, Mr. *Tocket* and other skilful Surgeons were Eye-Witnesses: At last Dr. *Chamberlen* advised expressly the taking of this Remedy, which performed a Cure when nothing else would; the Person having before Wept whole Nights and Days despairing of ever being Cured, but now blesses the happy hour that ever Dr. *Chamberlen* made them that lucky Visit,

when he advised the taking of it. This Cure (among many other such) was Advertised in the publick *Prints*, and Dr. *Chamberlen* himself was pleased fully to satisfy All *Persons* of the truth of it, who enquired of him about it. So that whatever Ill-minded *Persons* may say against this and the following Remedies (the Success of them being against their own Interest) may endeavour indeed to decry them, but can never render them less *Efficacious*.

What therefore has Cured so many deplorable *Venereal Objects* of both Sexes; (*who before the Tryal of it were very hard to believe such a mighty Alteration could ever have been wrought in such sad Cases as they were in, if They themselves had not tried it*;) Others also may reap benefit by. The Great convenience of this Remedy being, *That* Persons *may* Cure Themselves with it *Privately*, The use of it being such, as neither by it's *Operation*, or the *Patient's* way of *Living*, to give *Suspicion*, or betray 'em) *unless They themselves will)* to be under such *Circumstances*. Insomuch that it is now become even almost a *Saying* amongst a great many *Gentlemen* & *Others*, to their Acquaintance, whom they know to be IN FOR'T: That if they have a mind to be Privately and Well cured, their only way is to take This *Remedy*.

For the *Nature* of this Remedy is, SECRETLY to search the *Venereal Venom* out of an *Infected Person's Body*, & carry it off, & that with such *Ease* & *Privacy* as is admired, keeping it from the Head, NOSE, and other *Noble Parts*; By which means it *Carries* off in their *Infancy* those *Swellings* without *Breaking* them, which otherwise would come to a *Troublesome Head*, & *Break*, & are called *Buboes*: & which, if once *Broke*, will (*unless you are very Cunning indeed*) betray your *Condition*; it being such a *Remedy*, for *Persons* to Cure themselves with, who do not Care to go themselves to a *Physician*, as has not many equals in This way of *Publication*; that is, to be *Privately* bought, as this Remedy may be, & carried away in a *Persons Pocket* to any (*even remote*) place, *There* (by One, Two, or perhaps THREE times taking of it) to Cure themselves with. For in Some *Persons* who have taken of this *Remedy*, ONE Dose only has made such a *Change* by taking away the Heat of *Urine* & Easing the Parts, & One or Two more so compleated the *Cure*, that 'twas even Astonishing to see *Them* who before were in such *Miserable Cases*, to be thus by 3 Doses Cured.

Nay in some *Infections* ONE *Dose* has so *Rooted out*, & carried *away* the *Venom* that they were quite Cured, without *Taking* any more; Cures proving more or less *Easy & Expeditious* by *One*, *Two*, THREE, or *More Doses* of this most excellent Remedy, as the *Infection* has been more or less slightly received; the *Degree* of it's *Virulency* & *Malignity* greater or less in the *Giver*; More or less length of time since it was received; it's sooner or later *Appearance* after it has been received; & more or less of *Foul Humors* in the *Blood* & *Body* of the *Receiver*. All which *Considerations* render the *Cure* more or less *Easy* & *Expeditious* in it's *Performance*: Insomuch that One *Person* very slightly *Infected*, & of a good *Constitution* shall be Cured with Once *Taking* of A *Remedy*, when

Another's *Case* may require *Twice*; Another THREE times; Another *More*: proportionably as the *Degree of Infection* received, or the *Conſtitution* of the *Party* is more or leſs *Eaſy* to be Cured.

And on this account it is, that this Great *Medicine* inſtead of being called by it's uſual *Name* of *The Specifick Remedy*, has of Late been *more uſually* called The TRIPPLE PILL (*as repreſented in the following Print*) from Cures perform'd by *One*, *Two* or THREE times *Taking* of it, each Doſe being (*not a large Nauſeous Doſe as big as almoſt a Wallnut, as common Bolus's are, but*) the bigneſs of a Pea or PILL: and this ſo wonderful eaſily contrived for Taking, in the *Directions* ſealed up with it, that the niceſt Perſon may take it with Eaſe. So that altho in Some ſlight Caſes *One* or *Two* Doſes have done the Work, yet ſince THREE are more uſually requiſite for a Cure, This Denomination is taken rather from that number of Doſes (viz. *THREE*) then any Other: Notwithſtanding in Some other Caſes again *Four* or *Five* have not been amiſs for the ſake of a Surer & Better Cure: But a Cure being Well performed, a Doſe or 2 more or leſs can give no great difficulty. And which Cures may be accounted for *Thus*.

A *Doſe* being taken, Searches & finds out the *Venereal Venom* being ſuppoſed in ſmall *Injuries* to be but ſlightly received, & carries a Great deal of it (*in very ſlight Caſes indeed* ALL) off, & thereby Cools & Eaſes the Parts: And then the Cure is performed by ONE Doſe. But where the Caſe is not ſo ſlight, a 2d Doſe carries More of the *Venom* off, & thereby takes away the Heat of Urine, with the Dripping of foul Matter, *&c.* And a THIRD carries off the *Remainder*. If therefore there is but a *Little* Infection, it Finds out what *is* at leaſt, & Carries it off. If More, it Carries *That* off alſo: And if it finds *No* Infection (*as in a ſuſpiclon only of Injury*) it then cleanſes the *Blood*, & Body of foul *Scorbutick Humors*. And therefore either This *Remedy*, or the *Elixir* for *Broken Conſtitutions* in the 3d Part, are extraordinary things for *Gentlemen* & others who Drink much, & Live Faſt to keep by them, to take a little of *Now* & *Then* (*altho they may have nothing of the Diſtempers they are here levell'd at*) to carry off the Ill Effects of bad *Wines* & other Liquors, *Surfeits*, *Indigeſtions*, hard *Drinking* & other Diſorders.

If the Poſſibility be doubted of any ONE Medicine's performing what has been here mentioned: The Anſwer is: That altho' attributing of *Infallibilities* to Any Medicine be a Method too Threadbare to eſpouſe, Yet it muſt be own'd that there is many a ONE Medicine, and that in a ſmall Doſe too (in which the Perfection of every good Medicine conſiſts, as well as it is a ſingular Satisfaction to the Taker) which if but rightly managed will do Wonders, as This Specifick Remedy has done.

SPECIFICK Agents in the Art of Phyſick Appropriated to & levell'd at Particular Diſtempers, performing Cures more by their *Elective Quality* Pointed at Such and Such Diſtempers, than by their *Bulk* and *Quantity*: Tis not therefore the vaſt Loads and Quantities of *Nauſeous* Phyſick that does the work in Venereal Cures, but 'tis happily hitting upon the RIGHT SPECIFICK

thing adapted to the Diſtemper: Hence 'tis a General Rule that *The Beſt Cures are Always performed by the Leaſt Quantities of Phyſick*, if the RIGHT *Specifick* Proper Effectual thing for the Diſtemper be but Luckily Hit upon.

PERSONS have no Difficulty in conſulting Phyſicians of even their moſt intimate Acquaintance in OTHER Diſtempers: But when THIS *Diſeaſe* is the Queſtion, All Secrecy imaginable is endeavoured; by Reaſon that This Diſtemper carrying with it a certain Diſgrace and Shame for having contracted it (as reproaching Perſons with their own Frailties) moſt People uſe their utmoſt Endeavours to Screen and Hide it from the Eyes of the World: And therefore it has now generally obtained (& is known and called by) the Name of the SECRET DISEASE. Hence: For ONE that is willing to aſk a Phyſician on this Article, Twenty had rather purchaſe a Cure *Privately* and ſee NO ONE; Few being willing to addreſs themſelves to *Another* for a Cure of *This* Diſeaſe if they can be Cured otherwiſe.

And on this account it is, that ſuch Numbers of Medicines of the *Anti-Venereal Tribe*, promiſing even *Infallible*, as well as *Private* and *Commodious* Cures, are ſo frequently publiſhed: Which Word *Infallible*, induces *Multitudes* to the Trial of them: And yet after all, a great many of theſe Perſons having tried ſuch *Medicines* without any Likelyhood of a Cure, have own'd, that at laſt they were forced to have Recourſe to this Remedy, for the Cure of the actual Degrees of the Venereal Diſeaſe, and to the Elixir for Broken Conſtitutions (hereafter in the 3d Part) to clear and cleanſe their Blood, Bones, and even marrow of the Remains and Relicks of either the *Diſeaſe* or *Mercury* lodged in the Body after Former Cures. and which occaſion the major Part of the uſual Complaints of Uneaſyneſſes of Life of *Mankind*.

Theſe *Medicines* being ſuch matchleſs Expellers & Chacers away of Venereal Infections and diſorders from all Parts of the Body, as to have been now from many Years Experience, famous for carrying them off with Safety, Privacy and Eaſe——For Venereal Ailments being of an *Out of the way* Kind, by Conſequence require *particular* Preparations, ſuch as *theſe* are, prepared of the moſt powerful Expellers of Venereal Infection, and therefore, peculiarly adapted to, and levell'd at the rooting out of ſuch Diſorders, by expreſly attacking them at the very Root, without any more ado, and carrying them out of the Body.

THIS Specifick Remedy, with that moſt excellent Lotion abovementioned, are *Sealed* up with *This* Seal

repreſenting THREE little PILLS, (for the Reaſons above given) with Ample Directions in *Engliſh* and *French*, for the uſe of Sea Surgeons, Forreigners, Merchants, and others Trading Abroad, ſo Eaſy, Clear, Full and Plain, And ſo admirably Calculated, Ordered, and Contrived for Perſons to Cure Themſelves *Secretly* by, that Perſons may Cure Themſelves Privately, without any farther adviſing with,

or consulting Any one, and NO BODY know any thing of the Matter, Or that they have Ailed any thing, or been any ways out of Order; which few other Anti-Venereal Medicines perform (let their Authors say what they please:) And to be had At the Places mentioned above in the Title Page of this Book, Price a *Guinea*. (*A Lark* being *worth a Kite*.)

But altho This Remedy is NOW brought to so great a Perfection by a more particular Preparation of its *Venereal-Infection-Expelling* Ingredients, in order so to abridge & Lessen the *Quantity* for a Cure, as that One, Two, or THREE Doses of it performs more, then Scores of other Medicines, and therefore it has now obtained the Name of The TRIPPLE PILL; Yet since Every ones Case is not equally Alike Easy to be Cured, A quantity of this Remedy sufficient for Bad Infections indeed is here Sealed up, for the exigency of Every one, according to what Degree of the Disease, their Case may belong to.

Those Persons therefore that find themselves Cured by *One Two*, or perhaps THREE Doses of this Remedy, according to the Slightness more or less of their Case, may keep the Rest of it by them, to take a little of now and then (especially at Spring & Fall) to Carry off foul Scorbutick Sharp humors; or to extirpate the Relicks of Former Injuries & their Cures, tho of some Years standing, & to free the Head and Body of Pains whether about the *Nose* or elsewhere, either from the Disease it self, or Mercury lodged in the Body. Since then This is that *Original* Anti-Venereal Medicine abovementioned, Beware of False ones: For Always remember that *Dulcius ex ipso* FONTE *bibuntur Aquæ*. 'Tis also a convenient thing to be used at Sea, & in other Countries not only in *Europe*, but in the East & West-Indies, the Straits &c. (whither large *Quantities* have been carried, & where it now sells extraordinary well) for altho the *Climate*, or Season be hot, or Cold it will have its Effect & keep a long while.

IN the First Editions, as well as Years of Publication of this Scheme, when the Reputation of IT & of the several *Remedies* belonging to it was in it's Infancy, so many Testimonies of their Success not having been received, as of late Years have, something more large was said in their Recommendation. But Now since there are so many *Distress'd Vouchers* for their *Success* from ABROAD, the less for the Future will be said of them Here AT HOME, leaving OTHER Persons Now to speak in their praise in the Accounts of some few Cures, out of a great many performed by them. The Readers are desired to excuse the not mentioning Names, where no Leave is given so to do: Because as the Disease is, so also the Diseased very often desires to be kept SECRET. If any Person doubts of the Veracity of these Cures That cannot be help'd: Tis in no one's power to give Credulity to any one: All that can be said is, That they are True, allowing only here and there, where the Matter is abruptly Broke off, an Addition or Change of some certain Conjunctive Particles and other such *Words*, for the sake of better Coherence *&c.*

Instances of Success of this Anti-Venereal Remedy.

A Person who for some Years was thought incurable, notwithstanding the Advice, without any Releif, of several eminent Physicians, being at last advised by Dr. Chamberlen to take of this *Specifick Remedy*, can't forbear owning to all the World that at FOUR times taking it was Cured beyond Expression [and also, *per accidens*, of a violent Habitual Pain in the Head too] Of which any Person may be fully satisfied of Mrs. *Davis* an Ancient Housekeeper in the *Great Ambry, Westminster*. This Cure was Published in the Post-Man on *Sat. Aug.* 8. 1719. A few Days after this Person left the following.

A Person *that had been* Cured *by some of the* Specifick Remedy, *gave* THREE *Doses out of the Remainder, which they had left, to mean a very bad condition, which entirely carried off the Distemper, for which it is justly admired. May Success still attend it*, &c. Great *Ambry, Westminster, Aug.* 26. 1719.

About a Month ago having got an ill Distemper; I have taken of the Specifick Remedy, &c. and find my self very well: So that the occasion of my writing this, as my surprise at my being Cured by it in FIVE or SIX Days of what commonly requires as many Weeks I shall do that justice to the Medicine to say, that 'tis much the Best that ever was made Publick. *Sept.* 7. 1718 &c.

I My self having happily experienced the Effect of the Specifick Remedy, have also recommended it to several of our Ships Crew. And also being in *Norway*, I gave some of it to a Danish Officer of my Acquaintance, who before thought himself incurable, yet notwithstanding the coldness of the Place, in 7 Days was Cured by it. *June* 19. 1717.

A Friend of mine *has made use of the* Specifick Remedy *to his* great Satisfaction: *It having fully* answered it's Characters. *He had a* severe Clap, *and was* advised *by a* Gentleman *who had been Cured by it, to take of the* same. *And in* SEVEN *or* EIGHT *Days it made a perfect Cure. And by* computation according to this Cure, *there is* enough *of the* Remedy *left* to Cure 3 or 4 Persons more, *therefore no Person need* grudge giving one Guinea *for it, nay if it were* 2, *'tis* well worth it; *considering its* fine Quality. *I am now giving the same* Remedy *to another Gentleman under the like Misfortune, but is* great deal worse, *yet I don't question a perfect Cure.* Mar. 10. 1716. This Gentleman was a Surgeon.

BEING *unfortunately in company with an ill Woman, I got the Distemper very severely, and let it run on for some time without seeking a Cure. At last seeing Dr. Chamberlen's Name and Approbation to the* Specifick Remedy, *gave me such an Opinion of it, that I took of it. And in* NINE *Days it perfectly* Cured *me. This surprising Cure has given me such an esteem for the* Remedy *that I will recommend it to all my Friends, believing it the Best in the World for the purpose 'tis* Published *for.* Aug. 24. 1719.

Note, *The Number of Days in Accounts of Cures imports Either the Number of Doses taken for the Cure, if one reckons a Dose each Day: Or else imports only half so many Doses, if one reckons one every other Day.*

I Cannot forbear owning the Success I found by the Specifick Remedy: For about a Year and half ago, I got the Secret Disease to a very miserable Degree. I went to a very eminent Surgeon, I was under his Hands three Months, & then I found my self much worse. He told me nothing would do but a Salivation: But I being in a publick Business, my Attendance could not be dispensed withal, which drove me almost to Despair, thinking I must die of that loathsome Disease. A Friend of mine told me his Life for mine, the Specifick Remedy would cure me; upon which I was resolved to try it, I bought it, and took of it, and before I had taken half the Remedy I found my self so perfectly well that I took no more, & never found any Disorder since. But about a Month ago I got another Clap, and unfortunately gave it to my Wife. I did not despair of a Cure seeing the Remedy was still extant. But first I tried whether there was any Virtue in what I had left: We both of us took of it and were quite Cured, and so saved the laying out of another Guinea: And tho we thus saved our Money, yet we both own our Happy Cures, &c. May 11. 1716.

WIth Comfort, I can tell the World, that having been afflicted Nine Months with the Secret Disease, 2 eminent Surgeons, had me each three Months under hand, till I was weary of my Life; but reading an Account of the Specifick Remedy, I resolv'd to try it, tho it put an end to my Life; for I was almost in Despair; & blessed be God I was made perfectly well by it. This I tell with a grateful Heart, and my best Wishes shall always attend it. May 12. 1714.

THE following Accounts were from an Eminent Surgeon in *London*, noted for his Practice in *Venereal Cases*. Whose Names therefore must no be mentioned.

PArdon me, if I am something diffident of the wonderful Cures related to be performed by the Specifick Remedy, *because I am at present a Stranger to it. I am a Surgeon my self, and make no small Figure in Town, having practised with success above 25 Years, and got a sufficient Maintenance thereby, and have not been inferiour to the best of the Fraternity in the Cure of the* Secret Disease.

I have now a difficult Case before me, which prompts me to try the Specifick Remedy, *that makes so great a Noise in the World: and if it answers my expectation (notwithstanding the Odium I may draw upon my self for it) I will not be ashamed to own that it is the only Soveraign Remedy in the World, and that I am beholden to it for a Cure, which I could not obtain but by Salivation. The Case is of a Gentleman broke out and Ulcerated in a grievous Condition; about* 18 *Months ago, he was salivated, and has taken a great deal of* Mercurial Physick, &c.

This Gentleman after having tried the *Specifick Remedy* on this *Patient*, upon the Success of it *Writ* the following.

I shall have Recourse to no other Remedy but the Specfick. *To see so* Small *a quantity of Medicine, so gentle in its Operation, and yet of such irresistable force, shock'd my Faith, but I admired.* &c.

As the Cure proceeded he writ this.

HItherto I have joyfully and successfully proceeded with the inestimable Specifick Remedy. *The Patient is so relieved that the Inflammation has quite quitted the Tonsils and parts adjacent. The Running is gone, the* Ulcer *in the mouth looks of a good Colour, and is not very uneasy. I really believe my Patient will find a Cure in a short time by this excellent Remedy, yet I believe the* Elixir *may be conducive to the Cure, and therefore I design to make use of it,* &c.

Another from the same Gentleman.

I am confident the Elixir *in conjunction with the truly noble* Specifick Remedy *will compleatly finish the Cure of my Patient before the end of next Week. The prodigious Success I have found in my use of it upon this person certainly Post, emboldens me to dare greater things,* &c.

This same Gentleman after having performed a great many more Cures by this Specifick Remedy writ as follows.

SHould I enumerate the particulars of each respective uninterrupted success I have found in the exhibition of the most excellent Specifick Remedy *and* Elixir, *since I first was so happy as to make use of them in my* Practice, *I should be tiresome; it is sufficient to say that I have never as yet found 'em ONCE to fail me* even in the most difficult Cases: *And with 2 pots of the* Specifick Remedy, *and a little more, I have cured 5 Persons. And as to the person I formerly mentioned one* Bottle *of the* Elixir *confirm'd his Cure, so that he is now in a full* State of Health & Vigour, *and has* Reason to bless the happy Day *that ever he took the* Remedies. *I have now another very odd* Case in hand, *for which I have bought some more of the* Specifick Remedy. . . . . &c.

This Gentleman after these Cures of his Patients, on Account of another Cure performed also by it, Writ as follows.

IN a Patient I lately had under my Care, *I discover'd about 2 Weeks ago abundance of Ulcers in the* Throat, Uvula *and* Epiglottis, *spreading themselves under the* Pharynx *as far as one could see. The Eruptions upon his Face turn'd* Scaly *attended with a circumscribed Redness, and a continual Itching; Besides which there arose also an* Exostosis *upon the Frontal Bone near the* Squamous Suture *attended with Nocturnal pains, and a swelling upon the Ancle,* &c. *Upon this surprise I thought it most adviseable to stick close to the great and noble Secret, the* Specifick Remedy; *which I did, & in a few Days all those Symptoms vanished, as if it was done by Inchantment, the* Scaly Scurf *being entirely gone,* &c.

The following was also from a Surgeon.

I Have a Mind to deal for some of the Remedies, provided I have a handsome profit. I have 3 *or* 4 *times experienced them with very good Success: If the Allowance be good, it will encourage me to take the greater Quantity.* &c.

This Gentleman took to the *West-Indies* 12 Guineas worth of the Remedies.

HEre therefore the Reader is desired to take Notice, that a great many Practitioners in Physick have thought it their Interest, and shortest way at last, to buy of these Remedies, to cure their own Patients with: As a certain Surgeon was pleased to say, who own'd, that out of 25 of his Patients that took of this Remedy, only ONE missed of his Cure, and that the Patient confessed was by his own Mismanagement.

See more of these Testimonies of Cures hereafter.

PART II. Of GLEETS and other such *Weaknesses* in either Sex, after *Secret Injuries* & their Cures, Over-strainings, Wrenches, Falls, Hurts, Blows, Hard Labours, Miscarriages, *&c.* With the *True* Method of their Cure, tho of *Ancient Date.*

The PREFACE.

SINCE *what Philosophers say of Naturalists & Physicians, that* Ubi Physicus Desinit, ibi Medicus Incipit, *may be applied in another sence to this 2d Part of this Scheme, it being design'd* THERE *to* Begin, WHERE *Venereal Cures generally* End; *The Readers are not to be troubled here with any thing more of the* Venereal *or* Secret Disease, *but are refer'd to the perusal of the First Part, the design Here being to* Continue, *and not to* Repeat *that Subject, by presenting them with a small Discourse which is to* Commence *and take it's* Begining, *Where Treatises on the* Secret Disease *&* Venereal Cures *usually* End.

So that This Second Part is not design'd for Persons who have Any *Stage or Degree of the Secret Disease* Actually *upon them, till* After *they are esteem'd* Cured, *& have taken Leave of their Physician, And* THEN *'tis, that This 2d Part is addressed to them. As to the motive of writing this Part, (which shall be performed with as much Circumspection and Waryness, as so very nice a Subject will possibly admit of) 'tis Twofold.*

1st. *The great* Uneasyness (*notwithstanding a daily Change of Linnen*) *which Numbers of Gentlemen and Others oftentimes for many Years labour under, by reason of this Infirmity upon them, which tho for the present may give no other Trouble, than as it is opposite to* Cleanlyness, (*being no pleasant Companion to a* Clean Neat *Person,*) *yet will in time empair and Break the best of Constitutions, and bring on a Consumption.*

2ly. *The great inconvenience Persons afflicted with* Gleets, *& other such* Weaknesses, *frequently labour under, from the great Quantities of Physick exhibited to them for their Cure, which oftentimes serves for little else than Breaking a sound Constitution, or making a bad one worse.*

CHAP. I. Of GLEETS, *&c. in Men.*

BY a GLEET is understood an *Involuntary* and almost constant Efflux or *Dripping* away of Matter from a Human Body. To the clear understanding of which, it is observable by Anatomy, that in the Nervo-Spongious Substance of the Urethra or Urinary Passage & adjacent parts, there are several *Glandulous* Openings, which serve as so many *Excretory Ducts*, or Channels designed by Nature *Constantly* to convey & furnish a certain *Slimy* kind of Liquor or Moisture into the Urinary Passage: The *Use* of which Liquor is to lubricate & besmear by its Slimyness the Pipe or Passage, and thereby to preserve & defend it from being fretted by the sharp *Urine* which is daily passing thro it. Insomuch that were it not for this slimy Defensative Moisture that Nature is continually thus besmearing the Passage with, to keep it thus moist, & thereby to defend & protect it from the corrosive Salts of the Urine, it would in a little time become so *Fretted, Sore* & *Raw* by the Sharpness of the Urine *so frequently* passing thro it, that *All Mankind in General won'd have a perpetual Smarting & Pain in making Water.*

This being thus eſtabliſhed, the next thing to be conſidered is, that the Orifices or Mouths of theſe Glands in entire Healthy Sound Perſons have a certain Springyneſs, Elaſticity, and *Vis Oſcillatoria* (proportionable to their bigneſs & ſize) belonging to them, by which they are endowed with a certain power of ſtraitning, contracting, and Drawing themſelves together more or leſs upon every Emiſſion of this ſlimy Moiſture.

And by this Means it is, that juſt ſo much & no more of this Moiſture is thrown out of theſe Glands into the Urethra *in ſtatu ſuo*, then is juſt neceſſary for the Lubrication & Moiſtening of it preparatively for the Paſſage of the Urine.—But when a Perſon has been under Cure for the Secret Diſeaſe, and has a *Gleet* upon them, the Caſe is otherwiſe: For the Sharp Fretting Venom of the Diſeaſe it ſelf, as well as the Fatigue of Anti-Venereal Medicines, by a frequent preſſure upon, and irritation of theſe Glands, has rendered them now Flaccid, Limber, Weak, and Looſe, which before were Healthy, Vigorous, Springy & Strong.

Now the Springyneſs and retentive Faculty of theſe Glands in healthy ſound Perſons, who are ſuppoſed never to have had the Secret Diſeaſe upon them, conſiſting in their Strength & Power of either dilating or contracting their Orifices or *Oſtiola*, by which Power of retaining or letting out the ſlimy *Moiſture* they contain, they diſcharge juſt ſo much and no more of it, than is juſt neceſſary for the lubrication and beſmearing of the Paſſage: it muſt of Neceſſity follow, that when theſe Glands are, by the long Uſe of Medicines, or other Means, as a long Continuance of the Diſeaſe, *&c.* ſo Weakened, Fouled, & Corrupted, as to become limber, flaccid, flabby, and looſe, they muſt be deprived of this Retentive Power or Faculty alſo. Hence, the ſlimy Liquor they contain is not only thereby Fouled and Corrupted (from whence proceeds the ill Colour of ſome Gleets, and other ſuch Weakneſſes) but is alſo *Continually* ſlipping out of them into the Urethra; By which Means a much greater Quantity of this Moiſture being diſcharged out of theſe Glands into the Urethra then the mere Lubrication of it (preparatively for the Eaſy Paſſage of the Urine) requires, it Drips and comes away, in the manner experienced by thoſe under the uncomfortable Circumſtances of that unhappy companion of Mankind called a GLEET.

CHAP. II. *of* Weakneſſes, &c. *in* WOMEN.

THeſe are Infirmities of which no Notice ſhould be here taken, if it were not for the ſake of a great many Virtuous Perſons labouring under them, who probably may ſend for this little Book, in expectation of *Aſſiſtance* and *Information* from it, in hopes thereby to avoid the Shock of diſcovering and making known thoſe Aliments to others which moſt who are afflicted with them uſe their utmoſt diligence to Screen & Hide & ſo for many Years labour under *Pains & Weakneſſes in the Loins, Head, & ſmall of the Back*, & thoſe other inconveniences hereafter mentioned. That therefore this preſent little Tract may not be defective, but fully anſwer whatever can be expected from its Title.

These Weaknesses are inconveniences, which altho' Some *Women* are more subject to than Others, yet at some time or another so Many labour under them, that scarce Any are wholly exempt from them: And what is still worse, out of those great Numbers of Women as are afflicted with them, very few ever get a true and solid Cure, either thro' a difficulty to discover them, or a neglect of their Cure, by thinking them trivial Infirmities, that will Wear off, without considering the ill consequences they will produce: Or else, for want of Judgment in those that undertake their Cure, they thro' a bashfulness of discovering their Case to Persons of Skill, consulting only Unskilful MIDWIVES, Nurses, & other such Persons whose knowledge reaches no farther than *Turpentine-Pills*, *Ising-Glass*, *Bole Armenick & Astringents*, *Arch-Angel*, *Clary* and such things, as Insignificant to many, as the Judgment was Defective that prescribed them.

These *Weaknesses* then (for by this Name of WEAKNESS, shall always for Decency sake throughout this Chapter be meant the Subject it treats of, and which will be endeavoured to be treated in such a manner as may lead *Only* those Readers to whom this Chapter belongs, into a Knowledge of their State, & Method of its Cure, with as little *Information* to others not concerned in it [*that is, the Men*] as possibly the Subject will admit of) are of much the same Nature as *Gleets* in Men.

For as the abovementioned relaxed and weakned Glands in the *Urinary Passage* and parts contiguous to it, separate and discharge that Matter which constitutes a GLEET in Men; so (observing a requisite Proportion) other Cervical Glandules or small Vessels of the same Nature proportionably in the Neck of the Womb and Parts adjacent thereto in Women, & designed for much the same Use of lubricating it, separate and discharge also the Matter of these Weaknesses: So that these Glandules being rendred Weak, Lax, and Loose, & thereby deprived of their natural due Tone and Strength, by this Means those Vessels cannot sufficiently retain the proper Humor separated by them, for much the same use proportionably as in Men, *viz.* to Lubricate & Moisten the Passage tho for another end, but let it GLEET OUT thus involuntarily, & *Drip* away.

MAny are the Deplorable ill effects & consequences of these *Weaknesses*, (the unhappy companion of Women-kind) as well as of *Gleets* in Men if not remedied in time; as *Pale Looks, Melancholy, loss of Appetite, bad Digestion, Decay of Spirits and Strength, a remarkable Wearyness and Restlesness over the whole Body, Dropsical Swellings in the Legs, with an universal Decay of Strength*, &c.

So that these Symptoms not ceasing, (as most Persons in the begining deceive themselves they will, fancying a *Gleet* or other such Weakness to be an inconsiderable Thing, that will wear off of it self) they increase, till at length the Body is so drained, as to be brought into the highest degree of a Consumption, unless cured by proper Remedies skilfully administred in time.

Insomuch that if this great Evil (which too often proves the BANE and Ruin of Women kind) be not timely remedied, it certainly causes either Barrenness, or if they have Children, they are Poor, Weak, Infirm, Puny, Diseased, Little Sickly, Things, almost Always ailing. So that if the real truth of the Matter without any Evasion of the Question were but known, how it happens that so many good Families in the World daily go to Ruin and Decay for want of Heirs, 'tis nothing else but from that *Impotency* in One *Sex*, & *Barrenness* in the Other, caused by those *Misfortunes* here treated of, No Evil that usually happens (especially to WOMEN) being of so very ill consequence to the Looks, Complexion, Mind, Habit, Strength, & whole *Body* as *This*.

CHAP. III. *Of the* True *Method of Cure of* GLEETS *and other such* Weaknesses *in either Sex, tho of Ancient Date.*

SInce from what has been hitherto said it appears, that the Cause of these Infirmities proceed from the Weak depraved State of the Mucous Glands in the Urethra and Parts contiguous to it so often abovementioned; it follows by consequence that the Restoring of these Parts to their natural Strength, Soundness, & Vigour, in order thereby to let out no more of the slimy Moisture they contain, then is wisely intended by Nature for the Defence of the Passage, must be the Subject of the present enquiry, and which is to be effected in the manner following.

1st. By the use of a certain Strengthning *Lotion* peculiarly appropriated to this end to Cure the Part with *Outwardly*.

2ly. By a proper *Restorative* Medicine to be taken *Inwardly*.

As to the First way by a *Lotion* Outwardly 'tis very convenient for Persons who either have been so fatigued and nauseated with, or are so averse from Taking of Physick, that they choose rather to undergo their Infirmity then Take any more. And which Method of Cure is entirely Rational, as more immediately affecting (by being more at hand to) the very Parts themselves where the Infirmities are seated: And therefore (says Dr *Cockburne* De Gonor. p. 126) *When Practitioners are against using a* Lotion *for the Cure of* Gleets *and other such* Weaknesses *in either Sex, they do not judiciously enough consult their Patients Healths, the mischiefs done by* Improper Lotions, *being a convincing Proof that the* BEST *way of Curing these Infirmities is by* Proper *and* Good *ones.*

As to the Second Way by a Strengthning *Restorative* Medicine to be taken Inwardly, it is also extremely commodious for Gentlemen and others: For this Great Medicine being to be taken a little of it at any time when Persons please, they may keep it Privately by them and take of it, without any ones knowing of their beig out of order, it requiring no Confinement, nor giving any Suspicion, Uneasyness, or Trouble, it's Operation being by Urine: by which means *Numbers of Persons* have been Cured in a manner insensibly, & before they were almost aware of it. And as for WOMEN in particular who perhaps for many Years have laboured under these Infirmities, 'tis the only thing to Restore them to their Healths, when all other things fail.

Now Gentlemen and Others may chooſe which of theſe Ways and Methods of Cure they pleaſe and like beſt, *Either* of them *Alone* having Cured GLEETS and other ſuch *Weakneſſes* of many Years ſtanding, and ſo inveterate, and obſtinate, as to have even eluded before, many other Methods of Cure. But if Perſons will but make uſe of Both, the Cure will be more Speedily performed: both together acting Potently in Conjunction with each other, being *Vis Unita* which is always *Fortior*, As *Two Strings* are *to a Bow*, And as Two Horſes will Draw a Cart 3 or 4 Miles in a little time, which wou'd have required longer time for *One* only to have done Alone. *The Application is Eaſy.*

1ſt, The *Lotion* at 2 or 3 times uſeing, performs (in the Cure of GLEETS and other ſuch *Weakneſſes*) that which other Medicines have not done in as many Years; and therefore is worthy to be recommended to All Perſons under theſe circumſtances, eſpecially thoſe who are unwilling to take any thing Inwardly.

2ly, The *Reſtorative* is ſo *Noble* a Strengthner of thoſe Parts where theſe Infirmities are ſeated, whether from Hard Labours, Overſtrainings, Wrenches, Falls, Hurts Blows, Miſcarriages, Self-Abuſes, or Secret Injuries and their Cures, in either Sex, As alſo of ſuch admirable Uſe for Pains, Weakneſſes, and Imbecilities of Nature, either in the Back, Reins, or Loins, to take away Stoppage of Urine by carrying off Foul Matter, Slime, Sand, Gravel, *&c.* as only to be believed by thoſe that try it. Its Operation tho by Urine, yet is ſo *Leuitive* as commonly to Aſſiſt and promote the having one Stool in about 24 Hours.

THis Great RESTORATIVE together with the LOTION (that Perſons may uſe *Either* of them ſeparately, Or *Both* as they pleaſe) are Sealed up with this Seal repreſenting a Perſon Reduced and Waſted away from a Strong, Healthy, Brisk, Vigorous State, to almoſt a mere *Skeleton*, and greateſt degree of a CONSUMPTION & BROKEN CONSTITUTION by thoſe GLEETING Diſorders here Treated of, with Printed Directions in *Engliſh* & *French* for their uſe, that Perſons may Privately Cure themſelves. Price both together A Guinea, at the Places abovementioned.

PErſons may indeed go from place to place to ſeek for a *Cure*, but when they have ſought & tried all they can, they will ſcarce find a Better nor Surer then by theſe Remedies, as Numbers who have Tried them have to their Comfort and Satisfaction found. For what the Ancients were trifling about, *Round the Buſh* with their Tedious, Irkſome, Long Methods of Cure for many Months together, by Nauſeous Potions, Pills, Bolus's, Diet-Drinks, *&c.* The foregoing GREAT SECRET (*the Speeifick Remedy*) in Venereal Caſes; and This Method of Cure here for GLEETS and other ſuch *Weakneſſes* in Either Sex, have performed in a Few Days, a much *Nearer way home.*

Instances of the Success of this Restorative *Method of Cure.*

THis is to certifie that having been reduced by a Certain Infirmity, &c. upon me to such a very great degree of a Consumption, that I was in a manner a meer Skeleton, despairing of any thing that could keep me from the Grave. At last (after a great many means ineffectually made use of) I am happily recovered to the Amazement of all who know me to my former Strength and Health, by that wonderfully Remedy the Great RESTORATIVE mentioned in the 2d Part of The Practical Scheme: As any Person shall be for a publick good) satisfied of by Mr. W. Harris at Mr. Bradbury's a Brasier against Little Brittain Church. Sept. 10. 1719.

I Write this to acknowledge the RESTORATIVE has Cured my GLEET &c. . . . *Wills Coffee-house*, Nov. 7. 1718.

The following is part of a Letter sent to the Gentlewoman at the Necklace without Temple-Bar, from a Lady a 100 *Miles from London, who having sent for the Specifick Remedy, with the* Restorative *for* Weaknesses, &c. *some Months before, for her own and Friends use, sent for more.*

MAdam, By your Medicines we are very well, & I send for more in order to keep us so. Pray let the Bearer have such a one of Your Specifick Remedies as I had along with the RESTORATIVE: they being Medicines that I approve of beyond Any others. *Feb.* 18. 1719. &c.

HAving heard such Wonders of the RESTORATIVE, &c. from particular Acquaintance, who to their great comfort have been perfectly Cured by it makes me apply to the same Medicine for relief, after having tried both the Hospitals of *London*, & several Eminent Surgeons for a GLEET, which came on me after an ill Cure. . . . *July* 10. 1719.

MRS. Jones *followed the Directions in taking the Remedy, and is very well.* . . . . . I *have recommended it to* 2 *or* 3 *more Friends who have also taken it with Success.* . . . . . May 10. 1714

Lingering a long time under a particular *Disease*, & after the Endeavours of the Ablest Surgeons (by repute) for a Cure to no effect, I was at last advised to take of the *Specifick Remedy* and Elixir belonging to the Practical Scheme, which did perfectly Cure me. So that I am entirely recovered: which no other Remedy that I tried could do. And if any Body pleases to enquire for Mr. *Liester* at the *Windsor Coffee-House* at *Charing Cross* any Day between 12 & 2 a Clock, I will fully satisfie them of the truth of this great Cure; publishing this of my own accord that those who labour under the same Misfortune may reap the like Benefit. *Jan.* 20. 1719.

The following was from a Surgeon.

HIS usus Medicinis exiguo cum negotio, Æger inveterata Lue Venerea correptus, mirifice convaluit—Prænobile *Remedium Specificum* &c. omnibus admirabile reddere conabor, &c. 12o. Kal. Sept.

KInd Providence led me to take of the Specifick Remedy, &c. The very Day I discover'd my Case I went to a Surgeon of Judgment, in his Profession, who Physick'd me, and then he said I was well, and since he said so, I thought so too: But in a few Days after I went to him again, my Running being returned with Soreness & Swellings. He undertook me again, and after a little time told me, as he had done before, that I was well again. He Blooded me, Vomited me, and Physick'd me, but all this while did not Cure me; having had me in Hand 6 Months, for this poor thing that at first was but a Symptom of the Disease. Upon this he told me that he would have me take a certain Surgeons Advice (which he nam'd to me) who has the Name of one of the greatest Surgeons in London. I consented to it and gave him a Fee for his Advice only. When he had seen me, the 2 Surgeons consulted together. So I was Vomited again, and took more Physick. I went on thus a pretty while, and he now and then would Syringe me, and Clapt Lint into my Sores. After this we consulted another New Surgeon belonging to the Hospital who sees abundance of these Cases and who prescribed me Stuff to take Night and Morning, but I found no Benfit by it. I run like a Tap, and had very great Sores. At last I took of the Specifick Remedy, by which I was perfectly freed from my Running; my Sores were well, and healed up, and the Cure perfected. I did not know of the *Specifick Remedy* before I read of it in the News Papers: It is certainly a most admirable Thing, What I write here is Truth. A Man is not just that does not give a true Character of it. I have enough left of the *Remedy* for several takings. . . . . *May* 18. 1713.

THis is to acquaint you that the Specifick Remedy *has cured my Friend of a grievous Degree of the* Secret *Disease in a few Days*, &c. Nov. 3. 1713.

See more Accounts of Cures hereafter.

PART III. Of a BROKEN CONSTITUTION

by GLEETS, & other such *Weaknesses* in Either Sex, Fast Living, Former Cures, Salivations, Mercury, Self-Abuses, &c. the Ruin and Bane of the more Flourishing Part of Mankind.

Chap. I. *Of an Empaired and* Broken Constitution.

BEsides the three above-mentioned *Stages* of the *Secret Disease*, there is yet Another much more unhappy State, in which a Great Part of Mankind misfortunately find themselves: which is A *Broken, Spoiled*, and *Ruined Constitution* and Habit of Body, by Neglected *Gleets* and other such *Weaknesses*; Fast Living; Self-Abuses, Former Cures, Salivations, & taking of Mercury, which ought to have been, (but was not) well carried off, & therefore lies Lurking in the very Bones of the poor Ruined Patient.

So that after a *Salivation* is over, and a Cure *seemingly* performed, Commonly there remains several pernicious Symptoms of the Disease, or else some fatal Relicks of the *Mercury* (many times the Worse Evil of the two) which afterwards make a Havock in the Body, & Sooner or Latter will shew themselves by *Spots, Breakings out, Wandring Pains, Weakness and Pains in the Back and Reins, Tremblings in the Joints, Wearyness & Numbness of the Limbs, Dulness & Giddyness in the Head, Thick foul Offensive Urine, with Threads, Films, Skins and as it were Hairs in it, with a Greasy Scum at the Top, and a Thick Matter settling at the Bottom, with a Sharpness, Pain, Heat, or Stoppage in the making it, with several other such Disorders*: Than which, nothing is more common after Former Cures, as too many unhappy Persons Daily experience, rendring Life entirely uneasy for want of Health, & commonly ends in the utter Ruin of the poor Patient, who from a Strong, Healthy, Vigorous, Sound, Hail Person, oftentimes becomes of an Infirm, Broken, Weak, Miserable Constitution.

Now to Remedy these Evils after Former Cures, the usual Method is to prescribe to these poor unhappy Persons, large Quantities of *Diet-Drinks, Pills, Bolus*'s and other such like Nauseous and Tedious Courses of *Physick*. But alass! The poor *Patient* has been Tired too much with such Loads of *Physick* already to take any more: and therefore not being able to submit to this Method (tho' nevertheless very often Ineffectual) sacrifices his Health to compliment his Palate, and so becomes Ruined, and miserable because he cannot take *Physick* (looking upon the Remedy to be worse than the Disease) or at least for want of a more compendious Method than is usually practised: For as *Seneca* says, *Ubi Turpis est Medicina, Sanari Piget*. And indeed nothing is more true than the old Saying, *Qui Medicè vivit, Miserè vivit*. Those who live under Courses of Physick live miserably, as a great many in the World do, tho under the care of (otherwise) very eminent Physicians: The reason of which is: *A Broken Constitution*, as well as the *Secret Disease* being *Out of the way Ailments*, Very few Physicians make the Cure of either of them their Study.

Add to this alſo: That DIET-DRINKS (like moſt *Mineral Waters*) may be looked upon to be but a FOUL ſort of Phyſick at Beſt, leaving many times behind them in the *Body* as much of their own *Filth*, as they carry off of the *Diſeaſe's*: inſomuch that unleſs Perſons under *Courſes* of *Diet-Drinks*, take alſo from time to time certain Purges, to cleanſe & carry off their ill Effects, they oftentimes in the end prove of but little *Service*. What therefore with the long *Continuance* which ought to be (*for a Cure*) of theſe *Drinks*; and the Quantities of *Purging Phyſick* that ſhould alſo be taken at certain times along with them; *Perſons* who take them, ought to put on a very good and ſtrong *Reſolution* to ENTAIL upon themſelves a *Long* & *Fatiguing Method of Cure*, *viz.* not by One, 2, 3, nor 4 Draughts, or even *Gallons* of theſe *Drinks*, but by the Continuance of them for a long time: and this in reality is the true Reaſon, Why ſo very few are cured by *Diet-Drinks*: Becauſe Perſons being weary of them, before they have taken enough to Cure them, fall off their Uſe.---- From all which it may be concluded, that the uſe of *Diet-Drinks* may not improperly be compared to the *Waſhing of a Room* with *Dirty-Water*: which *Water* by it's *Liquidity* and *Moiſtening* faculty takes off indeed the Surface of the *Dirt*, but withal leaves ſo much *Soil* behind it, that unleſs you Waſh the *Room* over again with other *Water*, you had as good have let it alone. *The Application is eaſy.*

If therefore No *Other* Means would do, theſe long and tedious Courſes of *Phyſick* muſt be undergone: But other Remedies are now found out: and therefore for this Unhappy *State* of an Empaired and Broken Conſtitution, another Method is now uſed, *viz.* by an Extraordinary *Elixir* prepared for this end, and which has been ſucceſsfully experienced in a particular manner to carry off the Ill effects of *Salivations* & *Mercury* after Former Cures, and thereby ſupply in a more eminent Degree the ſtead of *Diet-Drinks* and other ſuch Courſes of *Phyſick*. So that Perſons having been reſtored by it to Health, Strength, & Vigour of Conſtitution, have had reaſon to bleſs the happy Moment that ever this little Book fell into their Hands, whereas if they had neglected it, perhaps they might never have had again the like favourable *Moment* to recover their Healths in, for as Mr. *Dryden* ſays

The Lucky have Whole Days *in which to chooſe:*
Th' Unlucky have but Moments, *thoſe they looſe.*

Such *Perſons* as theſe are almoſt always *Ailing*, and complaining of *One Uneaſyneſs* or another, and always conſulting one *Phyſician* or another: tho many times with but little Succeſs: The *Reaſon* is, that in theſe Caſes only ſome COMMON Medicines of the Shops are ordered, which as their *Preſcriptions* are *General*, ſo likewiſe are their Effects: whereas for ſuch Perſons ſome *Particular* REPARATIVE *Medicine* is wanting, whoſe property is to inſinuate it ſelf into the Maſs of *Blood* more particularly then *Common* Medicines uſually do, in order to *Carry* out of It and the Body the Relicks and Remains of an imperfect or ill Cure, by *Mercurials*, *Aſtringents* or other ways.

Alſo: The Seminal and Urinary Veſſels and Paſſage having moſt ſuffered and been moſt Injured and Weakned by Venereal Diſorders, by conſequence they ought to be more particulary Strengthned and Cleanſed, and therefore ſome more particular Medicine, then any common Shop preparations, is here wanting, that may carry off by Urine the putrid *Dregs* of the *Diſtemper*, with *Foul Matter* lodged in the *Reins*, *Seminal Veſſels* or Parts near to them, which are uſually the Effects of an imperfect former Cure, and the *Fore-runners* of the Decay and Breaking of the *Conſtitution*.

So that whoever looks a little into the preſent *State* and *Condition* of *Mankind*, will find it a thing but too well known, that *Many* a *Perſon* of a *Strong*, *Healthy* and *Hail Habit* of *Body*, by the miſapplied or negligent uſe of *Mercurial*, *Aſtringent*, or other ſuch *Medicines*, for the Cure of many times but a ſlight *Venereal Infection*, inſtead of being Cured, & reſtored to *Health*, has been rendred of ſuch an *Infirm*, *Weak*, & SHATTER'D *Conſtitution*, as will not eaſily be (*by common Medicines*) brought to Rights again.

TO ſet then this *Matter* of a decay'd, impaired, & ſhatter'd *Conſtitution*, ſtill in a little clearer light then what has been already ſaid, the Reader cannot but receive a ſatisfactory *Notion* of it, from a conſideration of the *Aptneſs* there is in all *Venereal Infection*, and it's Relicks in the *Body*, to *Unite* and *Incorporate* it ſelf with ſome other Diſtempers, and thereby conſtitute (as it were) a *New Diſeaſe*: As for *Example*: The *Scurvy*, which is of it ſelf a very contumacious Diſtemper, and has many Symptoms that very much reſemble ſome that attend the *Pox*: But when a *Venereal* Infection, or ſome *Remains* thereof, ſhall be incorporated with the *Scurvy*, the *Scorbutick Symptoms* will be thereby render'd worſe, & the *Patient* perplex'd with *Uneaſyneſſes* & *Diſorders*, not altogether proper to either the *Secret Diſeaſe*, or the *Scurvy*. The like may be ſaid of the GOUT, *Rheumatiſm*, *Evil*, *Itch*, &c.

When therefore the *Venereal Diſeaſe* & the *Scurvy*, or GOUT (*for Example*) are thus complicated together, they muſt neceſſarily conſtitute a different *Diſeaſe* from either, and which will partake of Both thoſe Diſeaſes, but will have Symptoms (in ſome reſpects) different from Either of them. The like may be ſaid of the *Venereal Diſeaſe* complicated with any other Diſtemper. And this complication of one *Diſeaſe* with another is the principal Cauſe of ſo many (*ſeemingly*) New Diſeaſes every Day appearing in the World; and every ſuch New Diſeaſe uſually retains the Name of *That* Diſeaſe of which it does principally partake, when *That* is known, and the Name of the Other Diſeaſe is added to it: Thus when the *Scurvy* principally afflicts any Perſon in conjunction with a *Venereal Taint*, that *New Diſeaſe* is call'd a Venereal and Pocky *Scurvy*, & ſo of other Diſeaſes, as a Venereal and Pocky GOUT, *Rheumatiſm*, *Evil*, *Itch*, &c. And when any *Diſeaſe* proves ſtubborn, and difficult to Cure, in a Perſon who has formerly (tho many Years before) had any Species of the *Venereal Diſeaſe*, ſome Remains thereof ought ſtill to be ſuſpected, and proper *Anti-Venereal Medicines* applied to for a Cure.

To *Retrieve* then, *Repair* and MEND a *Constitution*, thus *Weaken'd*, *Broken*, *Shatter'd*, and *Decay'd*, by such a *Complication* of *Distempers* and those other means abovementioned, A most Noble REPARATIVE Medicine is hereafter proposed to cleanse by *Urine* the *Infected Parts*, to carry Foulness out of the *Blood*, and thereby *Strengthen* & *Repair* (with an equal Success in either Sex) *the Constitution*, fallen and Mouldred away into a perfect Decay and Inability to the Duties of Life, by Irregularity of Fast Living, Hard Drinking (*which in time Weakens Persons Constitutions more then they imagin*) *The Secret Disease*, it's Cure, & other such Causes; & in fine to Retrieve & Repair the Ruined and Decay'd *Human Fabrick*, & Supply the Blood, & Vitals with proper Recruits for what has been Wasted & prodigally Squander'd away by *Youthful Follies*, and in a manner Worn out by *Venereal* Disorders. Insomuch that Persons have been amazed to find themselves so happily *Repaired*, *Recruited*, and *Restored* by it.

CHAP. II. *Of* Self Abuses *the unhappy cause of perhaps More* Broken Constitutions *in the World, then* Any *other whatsoever.*

THE Misfortune here mean't, is That which the Holy Scriptures mention, *Gen.* c. 38. v. 10. of *Onan*, Whose Name only will put the Reader at once in mind, not only of the *Crime*, but also of the terrible Punishment, which Almighty God instantly inflicted upon him, expressed in these Words, *And therefore the Lord slew him, because he had done a* Detestable *Thing.* And yet notwithstanding so very severe an Expression of the Scripture, this Unhappy Misfortune (the general BANE and Ruin of the Major and most Flourishing Part of Mankind) is so Frequent in the World, that there is a great deal of Reason to presume that many Delinquents would not have been such, if they had but been throly appriſed of the Hainousness of the Crime, and the very sad Consequences to the Body, as well as the Soul, which follow from it; And which indeed is the Motive that has induced the writing of this Chapter.

But as it is very difficult to write on a Subject of so extraordinary nice a Nature as This is, within the reach of the meanest Capacities, without making some Encroachment upon the Rules and Bounds of Decency, and the Risque of giving some Offence, notwithstanding it may proceed from a Design to promote Virtue, and discourage Vice: this Subject shall be here so treated, as to be rather less intelligible to Some, by leaving several *Things* to the Reader's private Consideration, than by any overfreedom of Expression, to run the hazard of putting That into any Chast Mind, which every Person ought with the utmost Christian Courage and Care to stifle and destroy. Subjects of this Nature being, as Dr *Baynard* calls it, *Res fœda dictu*, and the Scripture *a Detestable Thing*, and what (if mere Necessity did not urge) St. *Paul* forbids even to be so much as NAM'D amongst Christians, *Nec Nominetur in vobis.* So that if ever Caution, Care, Waryness, and Circumspection is necessary in the Treating of any Moral Subject in the World, 'tis most certainly in this.

There is no doubt but *Thoſe* Perſons who are Conſcious to themſelves of having prodigally Bartered their Innocence for a Momentary Satisfaction, as *Eſau* did his Birth-right for the tranſient Senſuality of a Meſs of Pottage, and by conſequence have the *Misfortune* to be Unhappily concerned in this preſent Chapter, will ſufficiently underſtand the Meaning of it, without much Explication: And 'tis to *Them* it is recommended, with a Deſire of their moſt ſerious Conſideration of what is contained in it: And as for Thoſe whom it no way concerns, & by conſequence who underſtand it not (O happy Ignorance!) their unſpotted Innocence is to be congratulated: *Rara Avis in terris!* It ſhall be endeavoured that nothing be ſaid here which ſhall endanger their looſing, but rather confirm their happy keeping it.

To diſſwade then, againſt what is ſo diſpleaſing to Almighty God: So *Detrimental* to the Common-Wealth: And ſo highly Injurious to our ſelves, requires no *Arguments* which are not entirely agreable to Truth, & can ſtand the Teſt of the ſtricteſt Reaſon.

Firſt, Its being a very great Offence againſt Almighty God, ſufficiently appears from the dreadful Puniſhment inflicted for it in the Perſon of *Onan* above mentioned.

2*ly*, the Detriment which this Misfortune brings to a Common-Wealth in general, is alſo viſible from ſo many noble Families being frequently extinct for want of Heirs, which, were it to be trac'd up to its true Origin, is in a great meaſure owing to the Misfortune here treated of, by which the Strength of Youth has been ſo profuſely Squandred away, that very Few can afterwards *much* boaſt of the Fruits of a *Married State*. But ſuppoſe ſuch Perſons have Children, which happens not often, they moſt commonly are Weak, Puny, Little Things, that either *Die* ſoon, or if they happen by Chance and mere Force more of Phyſick than the Kitchen, to grow up, they become Tender Sickly Perſons, *almoſt* Always ailing & complaining of one Malady or another.

3*ly*. The very great Injury *Perſons* hereby do themſelves appears in this, that they are commonly ſurrounded with a whole Legion & Complication of Diſeaſes, from whence proceed their *Lean Pale livid Looks, Hollow Eyes, Weak Joints, with either* GOUTY *unactive Limbs, or elſe Feeble Legs without Calves, Limping and Hobling with a Stick, continually complaining of Weakneſſes and Pains in the Small of their Backs; Worn and Waſted away in the Prime of their Youth by ſuch Self-Defilements: And in their latter Years their* Conſtitutions Broke, *dwindling into Conſumptions, their Spirits ſunk, Body waſted, Strength decayed, ſtill ſhifting about for Change of Air; trying all the Baths in Chriſtendom; always conſulting one Phyſician or another, and upon the leaſt Rigour of any Seaſon, or any other ſmall Accident, in Danger of giving up their corrupted Breath.* And all this from having thus Enervated, Exhauſted, Conſumed, and WORN themſelves OUT by the SINS OF THEIR YOUTHS, and thereby become OLD, oftentimes before they are even 30 Years of Age: Inſomuch that no Sin draws it's Slaves and Votaries into a greater Abyſs of Evils, Miſeries, and Ruin than this.

So that of such Persons who have by these Abominations in their Youth prostrated & enervated their Strength, very few ever come to that Robustness, which otherwise they would have arrived at. For such *Actions*, being *altogether* UNNATURAL, by *Consequence* are so many Violences, Strains, and Forces upon & AGAINST Nature; and therefore it is no wonder that the Body becomes so Enervated thereby, as that the *Whole* Constitution pays dearly for it afterwards, as the generality of Persons too fatally experience, who have been guilty of this Detestable Sin: Insomuch that many Persons, who were strong and lusty before they abandoned themselves to *This Vice*, have been so entirely Worn out and Ruined by it, as to become OLD before half their Years came on: For by thus robbing themselves of their Strength, by this abominable Practice, have become so emaciated, as to be sent to their Graves, a great deal sooner than otherwise they would.

Chap. IV. *Of a certain* Reparative *Elixir for Broken Constitutions*, &c.

A Great Medicine is Here *made known to the World* for Restoring a good Habit of Body after Salivations, Taking of *Mercury* & Former Cures, to carry off the Relicks & Remains of *Venereal Infection* that Lurking in the Body insensibly wasts and decays the Flesh and Strength, ill effects of *Mercury*, *Salivations*, and bad Medicines, that cause those *Disorders* above-mentioned in *Page* 23. And which if not timely prevented, Empairs the Oeconomy of *Nature*, *Shatters & Unhinges* the Fabrick of the Body, and in time *Ruins & Breaks* the Best of *Constitutions*. For the prevention, as well as Cure of which *Misfortunes and Disorders*, this *Elixir* has now for several *Years* with *Success and Applause*, been published. It has nothing of *Mercury in it*, but is so Innocent that a Child may take it.

Great Numbers of Persons after *Venereal Cures* have experienced it's Effects in cleansing their *Reins* & *Seminal Vessels*, recovering their Tone, & restoring the Parts to Strength, and Vigour: this *Elixir* being instituted to supply the tedious use of nauseous *Diet-Drinks*, and such courses of Physick, which Persons generally are so averse from. For after Persons are Cured, there commonly remains something to be carried off, either from the Disease, or *Mercury*: The Blood wants to be *Cleansed*, & the Constitution strengthened: for which end *Pills*, *Bolus*'s, long *Diet-Drinks*, &c. are usually prescribed: And instead of them this *Elixir* is substituted in order to restore the *Blood* to that due *State*, which has been Empaired by Courses of *Physick*, and which occasion those Complaints Persons so daily make after Venereal Cures. The reason of this may be explicated by a Familiar Example.

The diffused Rays of the Sun coming in at a Window are *Some* time, before they will warm ones hand, but if you contract the scattered & dispersed Beams into a Point thro a Burning Glass, your Hand will presently be hot: Much in the same manner, Diet-Drinks in themselves are so very Slow in performing a Cure, that unless Persons in a manner Rince & Wash themselves with them, they many times prove little better then a *Chip in Pottage*, so that Persons had almost as good never take them.

Whereas this Elixir being of a Renovating and REPAIRING Nature, & containing in it ſelf the Virtues of *Anti-Venereal Diet-Drinks*, brought here by *Chymiſtry* into a ſmall Compaſs, and as it were Contracted and Concenter'd into a Point, *is inſtituted* to rectifie (*more* EASILY *then Diet-Drinks are Wont to do*) thoſe many *Diſorders* in the *Conſtitution* which by Ill managed *Cures* or Other ways it may have contracted: and thereby to correct the Ill State of it, and *Root* out *that Veneral Mercurial Taint* which too often remains in the *Body* after even a 3*d* Salivation, and keep it from the *Head*, NOSE, & other noble Parts and thereby prevent thoſe numerous Diſorders ſo frequent after Salivations.

How the Virtues of *Diet-Drinks* may by *Chymiſtry* be Contracted as it were into a Point in ſome ONE Medicine may be made clear in the manner following. *Chymiſtry* being an ART which Extracts the very Eſſence and Life of things, ſeparates by conſequence their Purities from their uſeleſs Dregs and Earthy Subſtance, in order to the preparation of Medicines more Grateful to the Palate by Abridging their Doſe, and more Healthful to the *Body* by throwing away their Droſs.

This will appear clear in an Example of *Jalap Root*, which conſiſts of 2 Parts, to wit: a Reſinous part, wherein its Cheifeſt Virtue conſiſts: and an Earthy groſs part which is of little uſe except to clog and load the *Stomach*. Now the Principal virtue of the *Root* conſiſting in it's *Roſin*, it ſeems unneceſſary that a Perſon ſhould Load, Nauſeate and Clog their *Stomach* with 30 or 40 *Grains* of this *Root* in ſubſtance, for the ſake of about 4 or 5 *Grains* of it's *Roſin* contained in thoſe 30 or 40 *Grains* of the *Root*; and which 4 or 5 Grains of the *Roſin* will many times have a better effect than 30 or 40 of the *Root*. 'Tis therefore by the ART of *Chymiſtry* that this Reſinous part is ſeparated and Extracted from the other uſeleſs Groſs Terreſtrial part, which the *Chymiſts* throw away after they have extracted and drawn the *Roſin* from it, in order to abridge and leſſen the Doſe, by giving to Perſons *only* 4 or 5 Grains inſtead of 30 or 40. And 'tis this Chymical Method that is here made uſe of in the Preparation of this Great REPA RATIVE *Elixir*, in order that a Few Drops of it may be taken in a little Wine, Ale, Beer, Whey, *&c.* inſtead of Large Nauſeous Draughts of *Diet-Drinks*.

Now which of theſe 2 Doſes, to wit: either a Few Drops of an *Elixir* to be taken at ONCE: Or ſome Quarts of a *Diet Drink* to be Drank at 8 Nauſeous Draughts each (reckoning after the rate of Half a Pint to each Draught as is uſually preſcribed to Patients) will be moſt acceptable to perſons whoſe Conditions Determine 'em to take ſomething of this Kind, needs neither *Poor Robin* nor *Partridge* to Foretell. *The Application is Eaſy.*

And in reality too much *Phyſick*, *Weakens & Breaks the Conſtitution* oftentimes more than the Diſeaſe: So that 'tis not the Gallons of Nauſeous *Diet-Drinks* and other ſuch *Loads of Phyſick* that always does the Work: No, the Beſt Cures are performed by the Leaſt Quantities of *Phyſick*, if Perſons do but Hit upon *Right* Medicines.

The use of it also is so Easy that a Person may carry this *Elixir* about with them in their Pocket, and take some Drops of it in a *Glass* of *Wine, Ale, Beer, Whey, Wine & Water, &c.* as well Abroad as at Home. Gentlemen at the *Coffee-house, Tavern*, or any other publick Place may take the *Bottle* out of their *Pocket* & put a few Drops into their *Wine, Ale, Beer, &c.* by way of a *Bitter* & no Body know for what end they take them: & this without staying at home for *Purging* as with other *Medicines*, and consequently 'tis so easy & pleasant a Cure, that *Few* Persons can object against it.

But moreover in Case that it finds no *Infection*, as in a suspicion only of Injury or an ill Cure, *Gentlemen* and others who Live Fast, and Drink much, altho' they neither HAVE nor ever HAD any thing of the Distemper whose Relicks and Remains 'tis here designed to carry off, will find it an excellent thing to carry about with them in their Pocket to take of now and then a few Drops in their *Wine, Ale, Beer, Whey, &c.* to cause an *Appetite* and good *Digestion*, to cleanse their Reins and Seminal and Urinary Vessels, to carry off Scorbutick and sharp Humors. And as for Persons, who have been Broke with Fast Living, or Courses of *Physick*, whose *Blood* has been Corrupted by bad *Medicines*, or the Unskilful exhibition of Good ones, and whose Constitutions (*in a Word*) have been spoiled and worn out by the SINS OF THEIR YOUTH, *they* have been Recovered by it.

And besides: To make still more clearly appear the *Facility* and *Advantage* of a Cure performed by a Reparative *Elixir*, above *Cures* by the ancient and *Common* way of *Diet-Drinks*, the *Method of Cure* by Both need only be *Considered by* to the *Reader*.--According then to the usual *Method* of both *Ancients* and *Moderns* who lay such very great stress upon *Diet-Drinks*, *Persons* ought for the space of at least 30 Days together to *Drink* 5 full *Winchester Pints* every Day and little else, (*for less then this Quantity, and continuance of time seldom effects a true and solid Cure*:) Now there is no need of very much *Arithmetick* in *Any Person*, to know that in the whole this amounts to 150 *Winchester Pints*, which make above 37 *Gallons* of these *Diet-Drinks*: If therefore any *Gentlemen* or others are willing to submit to such a Long, Tedious, Nauseous, & Fatiguing Course, together with a very *Drying* and almost *Starving Diet*, which they ought to observe the whole 30 Days, they cannot well fail of Meeting with a great deal of benefit and satisfaction from it, as doubtless great numbers have.

But where do we find Persons who have such *Patience*, and *Resolution*? Not many. Now the *Method of Cure* proposed by a *Reparative Elixir*, is by a few Drops instead of large Nauseous repeated Draughts of *Diet-Drinks* as already has been fully shewed.

From all which it may be concluded, that the *Method of Cure* by *Diet-Drinks*, and an *Elixir*, may be compared to 2 Persons setting out upon a Journey to the SAME Town: One goes 60 *Miles* about jolting slowly on for several Days together, in a very uneasy tiresome *Waggon*; The other in an Easy *Flying Post Chaise*, Cuts Cross the Country and arrives safe at the same Town in

about an Hour's time, by a ſhorter way conſiſting of only 5 or 6 *Miles* lately diſcovered. *'Tis true*, they both arrive in the end at the SAME INDIVIDUAL TOWN indeed, but as the diſparity is between a long tedious Journey round about of 60 *Miles* in an uneaſy jolting *Waggon* for ſeveral Days; & a ſhort pleaſant and even diverting one of only 5 or 6 *Miles* croſs the Country in about an Hour, and that too in an Eaſy commodious *Chaiſe*: So is likewiſe the *Difference* between Cures performed by *Diet-Drinks*, and a REPARATIVE *Elixir*. Any *Reader* may Eaſily make the application: And *Utrum Horum Mavis Accipe*.

From what then has been here ſaid, 'tis eaſy to judge the great worth and Convenience of ſuch an *Elixir*; Since by the unconcerned (*in a manner*) uſe of it ſuch Benefit is received: as a great many have experienced, who before *Tryal* would never believe it poſſible for any one Medicine ſo eaſily to effect what they Found it to do, after *Pounds* ſpent to little purpoſe before.

THis Great REPARATIVE Elixir, in Neat Bottles, is Sealed up with *This* Seal, repreſenting a *Perſon* whoſe CONSTITUTION is entirely BROKE, by thoſe Diſorders abovementioned, with Directions in *Engliſh* and *French*. Price a Guinea.

ADVERTISEMENT.

THoſe Merchants, Sea-Surgeons, Captains, or Mates of Ships, or Others, eſpecially Sea-faring Gentlemen Trading Abroad to the *Eaſt* or *Weſt Indies*, *Turkey*, *Africa*, up the *Baltick*, *Straits*, the *South Sea*, to any of our Plantations or Elſewhere, who are pleaſed to take any of theſe or the following Remedies, mentioned throughout this Scheme, they ſhall have very large Allowance, with as many Dozens (Gratis) as they pleaſe and Deſire, of Theſe Schemes in *French*, *High German*, *Low Dutch*, *Spaniſh*, and *Italian*, as well as *Engliſh* to Carry Abroad along with them: All theſe *Medicines* Now Selling extraordinary well Abroad, whither large Quantities of them, have of late Years been ſo frequently carried, and with ſuch very great Credit, Succeſs, & Profit to the *Exporters*, that Few Perſons Now go to Sea without Some of them; they being ſuch excellent things to perform Cures with in forreign *Countries*, that in many places Abroad, they are eſteem'd worth almoſt their Weight in Gold; And Now known in almoſt all parts of the World by the Names of the Remedies belonging to The PRACTICAL SCHEME.

But as for Neighbouring *Countries* of *Europe*, as *France*, *Holland*, *Germany*, *Italy*, *Spain*, *Ireland*, *&c.* theſe Remedies are in ſuch particular eſteem, as to be frequently ſent for thither, to the entire ſatisfaction of thoſe who have uſed them, as has inconteſtably appeared to be ſo, from the many Teſtimonies of their Succeſs tranſmitted from theſe as well as other *Countries*: And for theſe Reaſons it is, that This *Scheme* is Publiſhed in *French* and other *European* Languages as well as in *Engliſh*.

Some Instances of Success of this Method of Cure.

THE Cure of an Eminent Housekeeper in *London*, who is pleased to own his Name, & Abode First presents it self.

I Have been extreme ill for a Year past, and taken from Physicians (Noted for their Skill in the Distemper) a great many Medicines, *but to no purpose, my Distemper still increasing. At last I bought the Reparative* Elixir, &c. *and was by it in a very small time, beyond expectation Cured with all the ease, secrecy and expedition promised in the Scheme. I will let the World know this, by putting an* Advertisement *of it in the publick Prints, and am willing to give Attendance my self, and inform those of the Truth of it, who shall enquire: And whom I am perswaded the Account I have to give will satisfie. I am willing to take this trouble upon me in Gratitude for my Deliverance. Wm. Smith.* From my House Brace's Coffee-House in Silver-street, near Wood-street. *Oct.* 1. 1717

This Gentleman soon after published the following Advertisement.

HAving been extreme ill with Pains, & a Broken Constitution, &c. so very bad, and so worn away, that all my Friends were of Opinion that I was in a Consumption. I applied my self to several Physicians, but to no Effect, till I bought that Famous Reparative Elixir for Broken Constitutions mentioned in the Practical Scheme which has perfectly cured me, so that I am as well as ever I was in my Life, & publish this, that others Labouring under the same Misfortune may happily find Relief as I have done; And am ready to satisfie any Person that will call upon me at my House in Silver-street near Wood-street. *Nov.* 20 1717. *Wm. Smith.*

I *Recommended the* Specifick Remedy *and* Elixir, *to one* Mr. Forbush *near* White-Chappel; *in a very sad condition, with Knots, Sores, ... and he is much better, being free from the Knots, &c. I don't doubt but this* Cure *will redound more to the credit of the Remedies than any published.* Feb. 13. 1718. *W. Smith.*

MR. Forbush is perfectly well by the Medicines: I design to call with him at Temple-Bar, that they may there be Eye-Witnesses of that wonderful Cure which the Medicines have performed; the like I am persuaded is not to be found in this Kingdom, and it is his Desire if it will be of service to be Advertised. *Brace's Coffee-House, Wm. Smith.*

This Gentleman sent the following Certificate, *which was frequently Advertised.*

FRom a particular Distemper, &c. of 16 Years standing with Scabs, Nodes, Blotches and Sores almost from Head to Foot, my Body was so weak, and my Flesh so rotten that upon my Scratching it, it would almost rend asunder, &c. I W. Forbush, in Church-Lane, White-Chappel, am made whole and Cured by this *Elixir* and the *Specifick Remedy*. The Truth of which (having been declared incurable by several Physician;) I shall with Pleasure declare to Any one, with many surprising Particulars, *&c. Apr.* 3. 1718.——Mr. Smith was an *Eye* Witness of this Cure.

MY *Friend received the Damage the* 26 *of* Feb. *but was not sensible of it till* March *the* 4*th, & made use of the* Specifick Remedy, *and was perfectly cured, and did not take above half the* Remedy. *This is Truth & nothing but the Truth.* ..... Apr. 26. 1717. P. Thompson.

SEveral *of my* Country-men Travellers *having received* Secret Injuries, *I have* recommended *to them the* Famous Spetifick Remedy; *and within these* 2 *Years past, out of* three and twenty *who took of it, no more than* One missed of his Cure, *and he was* sensible himself it was his own Fault: *'Tis true, their* Cases *were all of the* 1st and 2d Stages of the Disease. *The* Surgeons *who are in the* Neighbourhood, *and frequent those* Houses *where these* Forreigners *resort*, curse *the* Secret, *and my good Will for promoting it. However I think my self obliged to serve my* Country-men, *and teach them how to save their* Money, *when with* one Guinea *they can reach as far as* 5 *or* 6, *or even* sometimes 10 *with these Surgeons.* ..... Aug. 29. 1716.

THE *Specifick Remdy belonging to the Practical Scheme, I have made use of, and find it perfectly what it is recommended for, viz. an easy and safe Remedy. I have a great* Family *and Children, and therefore it is not fit I should discover my self in* Publick, *being one that would not be guilty of getting the Distemper by any ill way for the whole World. I have been a* Patient *of Dr.* Ratcliff's *many Years; but in my Opinion, he had nothing to compare with this Remedy.* ..... Sept. 13. 1715.

See more Accounts of Cures hereafter.

PART IV. *Of the* GOUT *and* Rheumatism.

Chap. I. *Of the Cause and Nature of the* GOUT *and* Rheumatism.

THE Joints of a Human Body being parts peculiarly destin'd to MOTION, by consequence are fram'd and compos'd by Nature in a manner the most commodious and conducive to this end. For which reason All Motion (*of our Joints*) being performed by Means of the Articulation or Conjunction of the *Extremities* of 2 Bones that compose every Joint, it is manifest in Anatomy that this Articulation is all cover'd with certain Membranes or thickish Skins, which serve as Ligaments to Wrap up, and hold together the *Ends* of these 2 Bones.

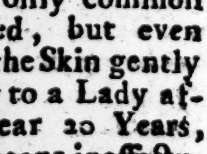
Now these Membranes that thus hold together our *Joints* abound with a vast Number of small Glandules, which are a sort of little soft, spongy, porous bags, whose Use is to Furnish and Supply to the *Pan* or *Cavity* in which the Knuckle lies, a certain slimy Liquor, Moisture, or Jelly, of an Unctuous Oily Nature, to Moisten and Lubricate the extremities of the 2 Bones where they are Articulated and meet together: in order that the Joint may be slippery, and the part moved with the greater Facility and ease, as the Wheels of a Jack or Clock, unless they are Oiled, will not move. And to make this Matter more clear, we may observe something of this kind also in the Practice of every Car & Coachman (as well as in the *Movements* of Jacks and Clocks) who in imitation of Nature, besmear with a certain smooth slippery Mixture of Grease & Tar, the insides of the Naves of their Wheels, & the Extremities of the Axis upon which they move, without which the *Rotation* of one about the other would not be near so easy and swift. What therefore Grease is to the Wheels of a Coach or Cart; and Oil to the Movements of a Clock or Jack, The same proportionably is this slimy Unctuous *Moisture* to the Joints in a *Human Body*.

The Motion therefore of the Joints being more or less Easy, as this Slimy Liquor, which lubricates and moistens them, is more or less slippery & smooth; when any Person is afflicted with the GOUT, it proceeds from This: that foul, sharp, Acid humors being mixed out of the Blood with this slimy *Moisture*, they thicken and Coagulate it, much in the same manner as Rennet thickens and Curdles milk, by which the natural state of slipperyness of this *Moisture* is perverted; and by consequence the Motion will be more or less retarded and hindred, as this Moisture is more or less Thickned. Just as in the Wheels of a Jack, Clock, Coach or Cart, If the Oil and Grease which is to make them slippery, be grown any ways Dry, Thick, & Sizy, they will not move. And in this consists a Fit of the GOUT. And hence it is, that some Fits of the *Gout* are less severe, and are taken off much sooner than others, according to the Degree of Coagulation of this slimy Moisture, proceeding from the greater or less degree of Acidity or Foulness in the Humor caused by more or less of Gross Foul Humors in the Body.

Chap. II. Of *the true Method of Cure of the* GOUT & Rheumatism.

THese Diſtempers thus proceeding from an undue Thickneſs and Coagulation of the ſlimy moiſture contained in the Joints, by which its natural ſtate of Slipperyneſs is ſo changed, as not only by its Thickneſs to obſtruct and hinder the motion, but alſo to cauſe moſt Racking Pains, *&c.* The true method of Cure muſt be reduced to theſe Points, *viz. 1ſt.* To diſſolve this coagulated Moiſture. *2ly*, To carry off, and free the Body from the Acid coagulating Humor: And Laſtly to ſtrengthen the weakned Joints, and reſtore them to their Ancient Strength, Agility and Vigour. For the effecting of which a Noble *Medicine* to be taken by Drops in a Glaſs of Wine, has been now experienced in great Numbers to have given the deſired relief: Inſomuch that its Efficacy can now be Atteſted by a great many who before the Tryal of it, would never believe it poſſible for a medicine to give ſuch unexpected Eaſe in theſe Diſtempers as they found it to do; the moſt Torturing Pains and Fits having been Taken away, without a future Relapſe by it.

So that the GOUT which has ſo Baffled and Eluded the medical Art, as to be ſtiled even the *Opprobrium Medicorum*, has been *Now* Cured; Eaſe obtained in moſt Racking Pains; The Fit taken off; and Health ſurpriſingly placed in its ſtead: And all this without any Diſturbance or Uneaſineſs to Nature, Or recalling the Morbifick Matter from the extreme Parts to the Head, Stomach, Lungs, or Bowels: but on the contrary has ſo effectually ſecured the Stomach and other noble Parts from the GOUT, that thoſe who were *even Cripples* before, & by perceiving their Stomach to be attacked, began to expect nothing but Death, by this Medicine have thrown away their Crutches, and Walked the Streets without even a Cane, to their own and Others Amazement. And that this is Real Fact, fully appears from thoſe Few (out of a great many) Accounts of Cures in the following Chapter, of perſons who from perfect Cripples have been Cured by this Medicine. And indeed not only common GOUTS & *Rheumatiſms* have been thus Cured, but even CHALK STONES have, Some come away (the Skin gently opening and letting them out) as happened lately to a Lady afflicted with a KNOTY CHALKY GOUT near 20 Years, upon taking of this Medicine, after many other means ineffectually uſed: Others diſperſed & vaniſhed away as in the *Certificate* of Mrs. *Malkin* in Newgate-Market. So that were *Ovid* now living to ſee the GOUT no longer the REPROACH of Phyſick, inſtead of ſaying *Tollere Nodoſam neſcit Medicina Podagram.* He would rather ſay *Tollere Nodoſam* JAM SCIT *Medicina Podagram.*



THis *Great* Medicine is ſealed up in NeatFlint Bottles, with THIS Seal repreſenting a Perſon in a Fit of the GOUT, with Directions in *Engliſh* and *French*, for its uſe. Price a Guinea, at the Places above mentioned.

CHAP. III. *Instances of Cures of the* GOUT *by this Medicine.*

The following Certificate was sent to *London* to Mr. *Pinckard* Attorney at Law in *Durham-yard* in the *Strand*.

DEar Son, *This is to acquaint you how I have been attacked, and how wonderfully also I have been relieved by the Tincture for the* GOUT *which you sent me last Spring. I desire this may be published; and I will testify the Truth of it to all Persons enquiring of me about it, as I desire also the same of you to do.*

I Robert Needham the Elder, of Hilston near Monmouth, Gent. having been above 30 Years afflicted with the GOUT, and for many of those Years, I had it in my Shoulders, Elbows, Hands, Knees, and Feet, and this frequently altogether at one and the same time; and thereby obliged, for near 6 Weeks together at a time, to lye both Night and Day in my Clothes, my Stomach pain'd, and my self reduced to the utmost Weakness. I above-mentioned do, for the Benefit of others, hereby certify, that some time ago I was violently seiz'd in both my Feet with the GOUT, expecting the same or worse Treatment I usually had; but by taking that Tincture for the GOUT, belonging to the Fourth Part of The Practical Scheme, (having sent for it from London to have in Readyness by me) thro God Almighty's Blessing, in 3 Days time, it carried off all Pain, preserved my Stomach very well, and kept my Body so very easy, and in such good Temper, that I could walk about my House, and do now walk abroad, without Cane or Staff, which for 6 Months past, I could not do, having had Pains in my Ancles & Feet, &c. of which I am now entirely freed. *Hilston, Dec.* 30. 1717. Rob. Needham.

Some time after, Mr. *Needham* writ the following Letter to *London* to the same Gentleman his Son in Law.

DEar Son, The Tincture *for the* Gout *and* Rheumatism *begins to grow famous in these Parts. I have given some of the* Practical Schemes *amongst the best Gentlemen in my Neighbourhood, who have sent for Bottles of the* Tincture: *And I have been applied to by many to know the Truth of my Cure. And a Neighbouring Gentleman desired to have the Account of my Cure from my own Mouth, which I gave him, and he has sent for 2 Bottles. My Wife, since my Recovery, fell very ill with a Rheumatism, and the Remedy soon eased her. Another Person, even confined to his Bed, and not able to stir neither Hand nor Foot, sent to me for some share part of my Bottle, and was soon by it able to walk about: They sent me abundance of Thanks. I am, &c.* R. Needham.

Upon this Success of the Remedy on Esq; Needham, a Neighbouring Gentleman sorely also afflicted with the Gout, writ the following to Mr. Langhorn, (another Son-in-Law of Mr. Needham) in Bedford-street, Covent-Garden.

SIR, *Your Father* Needham *having found such a Cure by the Tincture for the* Gout, *and sent me the* Practical Scheme *that treats of it, to peruse, I desire you'll send me a Bottle of it. Where you buy it, you may give them my Name down, for I shall not be ashamed of using it. I am, &c.* B. Hall.

Another from the same Gentleman.

DEar Sir, *Your Father* Needham *dined with me last Thursday, as he walked to* Lidney, *and does brag most wonderfully of his Cure. He has also cured your Mother and* Mr. Fletcher *of the* Rheumatism *with the same Remedy, and has given it to* Mr. Evans. *I am, &c.* B. Hall.

The following *Acknowledgment* was from Mr. *Smither*, an eminent *Undertaker* in *Barbican* near *Cripplegate*.

I Hereby acknowledge, that for these 12 Years past I have been afflicted grievously with the GOUT in my *Feet*: And for these 7 or 8 Years, I have had it in my Knees, and between my Hips, so that I have not been able to sit upright, but to lye all along upon one Side: And also my Hands, Elbows and Shoulders have been so bad, that I was not able to lift a Cup of Drink to my Mouth. I have also had it so sorely in my Stomach, that all my Friends despaired of my Life, and that I have sat up several Nights and Days, not being able to get my Clothes off nor on.

Also that I have not been able to get up and down Stairs but by sliding down upon my Back-side. This has been my hard Fate every Winter for several Years, except some small Intervals, having had no Shoes on for 7 or 8 Months in the Year, but what was cut up the middle.

About *Michaelmas* last, I was as usual attack'd with a most grievous Fit, and I had recourse to several Remedies, but no Relief. At last I was advised to take the Gout Tincture, mention'd in the 4th

Part of the Practical Scheme, by which I found my self so eased in my Feet (where the GOUT then had settled) that I got my Shoes on again, and with a couple of Sticks, went about my Business, and at last could go with one Stick, so that I went to the Tavern with a Friend, and almost forgot that I had the *Gout*; for I believe I could have gone home without my Stick, had I not had it with me. And the *Tuesday* following I went from my House about 9 a Clock in the Morning on Foot to *Long-Acre*. And I can now go as far as from the *Royal Exchange* to *Charing-Cross*, with the help of one Stick, being very clear of the *Gout*. *Feb.* 27. 1718, *John Smither* in *Barbican*.

HAving been for above 9 Years very much afflicted with the GOUT, and not been able to rise out of my Bed, having not had any Part free from violent Pain, and for almost two Years gone with Crutches. I read in the News of a Tincture for the *Gout* belonging to the Fourth Part of the Practical Scheme, and apply'd my self to it: And tho I went with Crutches before, yet I was soon able to go without, not having been able for three Winters past to come out of my Chamber. *Nov.* 13. 1717. *Paul Dewy*, at my House in *Woolwich-Lane* in *Greenwich*.

TO all Persons afflicted and LAID UP with the GOUT, I hereby testify, that having had the GOUT these 9 Years that I was an entire Cripple, not able to go without Crutches, having lost almost the total Use of my Limbs by it. I took all Things I could hear of, but to no Purpose, till I took of that GOUT Tincture belonging to the Fourth Part of the Practical Scheme, by which I am, to a Miracle, restored to the use of my Limbs, being as able to go without my Crutches as ever in my Life, *Dec.* 17. 1717. *Tho Wiggins*, at the *Black-Bull* in *Oxier-Lane*.

MR. *Gore*, Master of the Pale-Ale Brew-house, at the *Swan-Inn* on *Holbourn-Bridge*, who was well known to be a remarkable Instance of the GOUT for above 20 Years, after having taken of this Tincture was pleased to express himself in Writing thus.

I have Taken of the Tincture recommended for the GOUT in the 4th part of the Practical Scheme, whose Tyranny I have been under for near 2 or 3 and 20 Years. I shall willingly lay hold of any Opportunity to let the World know the Esteem I have for it, and I hope to be soon able to go abroad, and personally to confirm what I now write.

I have thrown away many Scores of Pounds upon the GOUT to no Purpose, and have lost many hundreds more by the hindrance for several Years in my Business. I am drawing apace towards 60 Years of Age, and I hope I shall be able with Confidence to say, that the GOUT is no longer a REPROACH to Medicine. Since I took of the Tincture, my Old Enemy has been assaulting me, but with no great Violence, so that I hope they are only farewel Struggles. *Oct.* 24. 1717. *John Gore*.

This Gentleman, besides the Money he was pleased to lay out, sent a Cask of *Fine Ale*, for a Present, to the Gentlewoman at the Anodyne *Necklace* without *Temple-Bar*, as a Mark of the Esteem he had for this Tincture, above all other Gout Medicines he ever took before.

HAving been so afflicted with the GOUT, that I had no rest, nor able to lift up my Hands to my Head, nor dress or undress my self without help for a Year: I was fortunately recommended to this Tincture, which soon recovered me to my former Strength and use of my Limbs. *Daniel la Force*, be pleased to enquire for me at Mr. *Lewis*'s, Cheesemonger in the Broad-way *Westminster*.

I hereby testify, that having had the GOUT 14 Years, I had a very large Chalk-stone in one of my Fingers which a Surgeon offer'd to cut out, which Operation being very unwilling to undergo, I took of this Tincture, by which the Chalk-stone so dwindled and vanished away, that now I have nothing at all of it, having received such Benefit, as I cannot express. *Eliz. Malkin*, at my House the *Windmill* in *Newgate-Market*.

THE following Commendation of this Tincture was from a Commander in the Army, whose Name must not be mentioned, there not being Leave so to do

Having taken of the Tincture recommended in the fourth Part of the Practical Scheme for the GOUT with which I have been a Cripple almost 20 Years, I have the Pleasure to say that my Gout has left me, and I have been every Day since able to walk. I have the greatest Opinion of this Tincture even in the most desperate Fits of the Gout, for I am positive it will agree with most Constitutions.

A Great many more such Cures might be reckoned up, if Room would permit; but these are fully sufficient to evince the Worth of this great GOUT Medicine.

PART V. *Of* AGUES *and Intermitting* Fevers.

The PREFACE.

A *Late ingenious Author in his Preface to his* Criticon Febrium *takes Notice that more then the 3d Part of Mankind fall by* FEVERS, *and therefore* p. 46. *Calls them the* Destroying Angel of Mankind, *and from thence concludes that a thorough knowledge of them and their Method of Cure is a Compleat System of Physick.*

Now AGUES *and* Fevers *being so near a kin, as that (according to* Lommius De Curandis Febribus.*) the Former are nothing but frequent Repetitions of the Latter; the Method of Cure must consist in reducing the depraved State of the Blood to that just degree which is enjoyed in a State of Health, and thereby re-establish the Oeconomy of Nature. And for which end altho the* BARK *is looked upon the last and only Refuge; yet dayly experience shews either how fallacious a Remedy it is, or if at any time it does put off the Fits, the consequences of it sometimes are worse then the Fit it self might have been. Since then there is a certain Medicine* Now found out *which being applied Outwardly only to the* PULSE *has Cured those* AGUES *and* Fevers *which the Bark and other Methods had no effect upon, by consequence the Cure of these Distempers is Now by the use of this Medicine not only shortned, but rendred much more Easy and Safe. Little seemingly inconsiderable things frequently perform what Great pompous Medicines will not,* Quo minime credis gurgite *(many times)* Piscis erit.

Chap. I. *That a Remedy applied to the Pulse is much more capable of Cureing* AGUES *and* Fevers *then Medicines taken in at the Mouth.*

TO prove this, it need only be considered what a vast number of Passages, Ducts, and Channels a Medicine must necessarily go thro, being taken into the Stomach before ever it can arrive at the Blood, and thereby at the Seat of the Disease, to what it would do if applied Outwardly to the Pulse.

For if the Remedy had been taken in at a mouth, the Particles of it by the Ferment of the several Digestions of the Stomach, and by being mixed with the Fluids & Juices therein contained, and their Filtrations thro the several Anfractuous Turnings and Windings of the Intestines, might be so Alter'd and Weakned, as to have not near so much effect when they come to be mixed with the Blood, & consequently loose a great deal of their Virtue before ever they arrive at the Seat of the Disease.

Whereas the subtle particles and Effluvia of a Remedy applied Outwardly on the Pulse, being entred into the Body immediately thro the Pores of the Skin, presently get into the Blood Vessels that lie underneath it, and being there immediately mixed with the Circulating Mass, escape thereby the just now mentioned Alterations and Digestions in the Stomach, that other Medicines are subject to before ever they can be admitted into the Mass of Blood: and consequently are rendred much more efficacious then otherwise they might be, if taken in at the Mouth, which is much more *Round about the Bush*, to convey a Medicine to the Seat of the Disease, then by the Pulse.

The Reaſon of this is: Becauſe ſuch Effluvia always operate with more Vigour and Force as being more Immediately and Readily conveyed to the Blood, and by it to the Seat it ſelf of the Diſeaſe, by entering in at the Immediate DOOR of the Body and Heart, as Zwelfer calls the Pulſes, *Pulſus* (ſays he) *ſunt Cordis & Corporis penetralia*, Pharm. Reg. p. 103. without paſſing thro thoſe ſeveral Changes in the Stomach which ſo much weaken and take off from the Virtues of Medicines taken in at the mouth, before ever they can reach the ſeat of the *Diſeaſe*.

And hence it is that Outward Applications to the Pulſes, ſo often are known to Cure thoſe *AGUES* and *Intermitting Fevers*, (by Tranſmitting thro the Pores of the Skin immediately into the Blood Veſſels, certain Medicinal Particles that Reſtore again the Blood to its due Temper,) which ſometimes the very beſt of Medicines taken Inwardly at the mouth have had no Effect at all upon. And indeed nothing is a more proper thing for a *Febrifuge*, then an Agent on the Blood, in whoſe irregular motion all *Agues* and *Fevers* conſiſt, by giving it a kindly agitation, and throwing out of it thoſe Heterogeneous Particles which were Blended with it before, and thereby render it capable to Circulate as it ought: & by this means ſuch friendly Dilatations and Contractions are cauſed in the Heart, thro a well moderated Tranſmiſſion of the Blood by the *Diaſtole*, and *Syſtole* of it, as a healthful Circulation of the Blood requires.

An example or two will make this Matter more clear. The Bite of a Viper on a Finger only, whoſe Venomous Effluvia, were it poſſible to weigh them in one Aggregate, would not exceed perhaps the 20th Part of a Grain, and are conveyed by a Wound not exceeding that of a Needle or a Pin, yet how ſoon do they penetrate into the Blood, and pervade as far as the Heart?

In the ſame manner, The Bite of a Mad *Dog* on the Finger only, will by means of the Bloods circulation tranſmit its venomous Effluvia preſently to the Head, and cauſe Madneſs. A Gangreen even on a Finger will in a little time influence the very Vitals themſelves: And Mr. Boyle mentions a Perſon ſtung ſo ſlightly in the Thumb by a Scorpion, that the Place of the Sting could hardly be perceived, & yet in a little time the Perſon was like to have expired, if violent Remedies had not been uſed. Quickſilver anointed Outwardly will raiſe a Salivation, ineffectually attempted before by a great many Medicines taken in at the *Mouth*:

Spaniſh Flies Applied Outwardly in a Bliſter on the Neck will ſoon tranſmit their Effluvia thro the pores of the Skin to the Bladder, and cauſe a Bloody Urine: From all which it appears how poſſible it is that a Remedy applied Only Outwardly ſhould afford ſufficient Store of Effluvia to cauſe very conſiderable changes in ſo fine & curious an Engine as a Human Body is.

NOte. What is ſaid of an Outward Application for AGUES and *Intermitting Fevers*, makes alſo for Childrens Wearing a Phyſical NECKLACE for their *Teeth*: Both being grounded on the ſame principle of Operation, *viz.* by the means of Effluvia.

Chap. II. *Of the Generally received use of Remedies applied to the Pulse for* AGUES *and* Fevers, *by Authors both Ancient and Modern.*

THis Chapter cannot recommend it self better to the Reader, then by begining with the Authority of our Great Country Man Dr. Tho. Willis, Dr. and Professor at Oxford, an Eminent Member of the most illustrious College of Physicians in London, Fellow of the R. Society, the greatest Physician of his time, and by consequence an Author *Omni exceptione Major.*

This Great Man in his Book De Febribus p. 129, Recommends in a particular manner a Remedy against *Agues* and *Fevers* to be applied to the PULSE, *Quia* (says he) *Hujusmodi Febrifuga ad Pulsus admota, Putredinibus adversantur: Nam illorum facultate per Arterias communicatâ, Putredini humorum Cor fortius resistit.*

Riverius professor of physick at Montpellier, orders Remedies to be applied to the Pulse for Agues & Fevers, & gives much the same reason, Prax. Med. l. 17. c. 4. These Medicines says this Author *Pulsibus applicata Curant Febres, vires suas cordi communicando per Arterias insignes quæ ad Pulsus decurrunt.* The same also Platerus an eminent physician at Basil. DeFeb. p. 196. These things says he, *Pulsibus applicata materiam Febrilem a Corde divertunt & revellunt.*

And on this Account it is that the Learned Verulam Sylv. Cent. 1. has writ largely *De consensu & Sympathia* Pulsuum *cum corde*, and proves that Remedies applied to the Pulses, have much more effect on the *Blood* in the Cure of *Agues* and *Fevers*, then if taken in at the Mouth. Senertus professor of physick at Wittemberg in Germany. De cons. & dif. Chym. cum Arist. c. 18. gives an account of a stubborn Quartan Ague cured by a Remedy applied to the Pulse *Quartanam diuturnam hoc Remedio Pulsui applicato Curatam.*——Poterius an eminent physician at Angiers in France. De Febr. l. 2. c. 23. prescribes an Application to the Pulse against Quartan Agues and Fevers, *Pulsibus admota Quartanam sanare*, and the reason he gives for it is, because the the Vessels and the Blood, are in more then ordinary agitation in those places of the Body where there are Pulses, *Vesiculis scilicet eo in loco agitatis.* Heurnius, Physician at Leyden Cap. De Febr. recommends a Remedy against Agues & Fevers *Pulsibus applicata.*

Schroder the most celebrated physician of his time at Francfort in Germany. Pharm. p. 128. recommends a Remedy against Agues and Fevers to be applied to the Pulse, *Carpis & Pulsibus impositum.*——Hæfferus a noted German physician in his Hercule Medico. l. 6. c. 3. affirms that a certain Application to the Pulse Cured Agues and Fevers in 24 hours. *Ad brachii pulsus applicatæ per viginti quatuor horas, Febres cessare faciunt.* Mullerus another German physician Mirac. Chym. p. 149. orders an Outward Application to the Pulse against Agues and Fevers, *Ligetur* (says this Author) *super* Pulsum *manuum.* Van Helmont. De Febr. c. 17. Says that He himself Cured Hundreds of even Quartan Agues by only an Application to the Pulses. *Centenas Quartanas se tuto sine recidiva hoc Medicamento pulsibus applicato sanasse.*

Mr. Boyle ſays that He himſelf was Cured of a Violent *Ague* which had baffled all wonted Methods of phyſick, by a Remedy applied only to his *Pulſe*. Balduinus Ronſeus an eminent phyſician of *Crete* in his Venatione Medica ſpeaks of a Remedy in uſe in his Days againſt Agues and Fevers being applied (before the Fit) to ſome place of the Body where there is a Pulſe, as for Example to the Wriſts or the Temples, in this old Verſe.

Ante paroxyſmos Si ad CARPUM, *aut Tempora ponas.*

From all which it is apparent that altho a Diſcovery may happily be made of a NEW Remedy that will thus perform a Cure, with more Expedition and Certainty then hitherto has been done, yet the Method of Cure in it ſelf is no *New* thing but may be traced from the Practice of the moſt eminent *Phyſicians*.

Chap. III. *Of a certain Pulſe Remedy for* AGUES *and* Fevers.

THE Remedy here Publiſhed is an Extract (a New Diſcovery) a Drop or 2 of which on Cotton and Applied to the Pulſe, has in Vaſt Numbers of Sick Perſons more certainly Cured then either the Bark, Or other Common Methods: having taken off the Fit without Bleeding, Bliſtering, Purging, or taking in any thing at the Mouth when nothing Elſe would do, in thoſe Agues and Fevers under which the Sick Perſons had a conſiderable time languiſhed, almoſt deſpairing of any Cure.

A remarkable Inſtance of the effect of this Remedy was lately on a Gentlewoman confined to her Bed with a violent Intermitting Fever after ſeveral Medicines ineffectually tried: A few Drops of this Extract was bound on to the Pulſe: in a little time after it was applied, the Gentlewoman ſaid that ſhe felt as it were ſomething Creeping within her Blood up all along her Arm to her Head, this Creeping continued ſome time, and the Fever began ſenſibly to abate, and by Degrees in about 12 hours was quite gone, ſo that the Gentlewoman was (to her own and every Bodies elſe ſurpriſe) about her Houſe the Next Day, who before was confined Burning and Scorching a Bed.

A Child ſo ill with a violent Intermitting Fever, that it was expected ſoon to expire, a few Drops of this Remedy was bound on to its Pulſe, upon which the Fever ſenſibly decay'd, and in 2 days the Child was perfectly Well again.

Several Perſons of late have been ſo harraſs'd with Agues as to be very much worn away by them: A great many common Remedies were made uſe of, but ſtill the Fits continued: At laſt a few Drops of this Medicine were applied to their Pulſes, upon which they felt the abovementioned, as it were, ſomething Creeping in their Blood all along up their Arms, and the Fits were quite taken away *without any Relapſe*.

THis Noble Febrifuge in Flint Bottles is Sealed up with This Seal (repreſenting a Perſon in a Fit of an AGUE and *Fever*) with Directions in Engliſh & French for its uſe. Price Half a Guinea, at the places abovementioned. 'Tis worth its Weight in Gold, having ſaved Pounds in other Medicines.

PART VI. Of the Ancient and Modern Uſe of Phyſical *Necklaces* for Children's Teeth, Fits, *&c.* As alſo of the Liquid to Open the Gums, And that Celebrated Anodyne NECKLACE Recommended by Dr. *Chamberlen* for Childrens TEETH, *&c.*

The PREFACE.

THE *Reader is deſired to take Notice, that throughout this* Sixth *Part of this Scheme by the Word* NECKLACE, *whenever it is mentioned or Cited out of Any Author, is always meant, Any Remedy preſcribed by Phyſicians to be in* Any Manner *whatſoever HUNG or WORN about a Perſons* NECK, *rather then any other Part of the Body.*

And again: Whenever Any mention is made of, or Any Author quoted for any ſort of Remedy to be thus WORN or HUNG in any manner whatſoever, about a Perſons NECK, *rather than any other Part of the Body, by theſe or ſuch like Expreſſions,* Collo ſuſpenſum: Collo appenſum: Collo ſuſpendatur: Collo affixum: Circa Collum geſtetur: Collo alligatum, *and the like, Wherein mention is made of the Word* Collum *or* NECK, *as the Part to which the Remedy is applied, rather than to any other Part of the Body; by ſuch a Remedy is* Always *meant a Phyſical* NECKLACE; *and therefore by this Name of* Necklace *it will be always called; to diſtinguiſh ſuch Remedies as are preſcribed by Authors to be thus* Hung *or* Worn *about the* NECK, *from other Remedies to be applied to other Parts of the Body; ſuch as the* Wriſts, Waſte, Arms, Legs, Loins, *&c. and which by conſequence can no ways be called by the Name of* Necklaces, *a Term proper only to* Things *that are* Worn *about the* NECK.

So that whatever Amulet *or* Appenſum *it be that the Author Cited ſpeaks of; whether a* Collare, *Or a* Torques, *Or a* Monile; *if the* NECK *be but the Part to which the Thing be* Appended *to, Or* Hung *or* Worn *about; by any ſuch* Amulet *or* Appenſum *is Always meant A* NECKLACE, *altho it be even in a Large Senſe, ſo as to underſtand by it Any Manner of* Amulet *or* Appenſum *in any Form, Shape, Make, or Manner whatſoever; ſuch as Authors expreſs by the Words,* Sacculus, Nodulus *or any other ſuch Phyſical Term, ſo it be but* Worn about the Neck. *Whether therefore the thing Go immediately Round the* NECK *as A* Torques, *or a* Monile: *Or Hang down* Pendulous *from it as A* Sacculus *or* Nodule; *if the* NECK *be but the Part that the thing is either* Worn *or* Hung *About, To, or From, Any ſuch* Appenſum *may properly enough be called* A Necklace.

And in this Senſe it is, that the Reader is deſired Always to underſtand the Phraſe, Language, Meaning, *and* Intention *of this Sixth Part of this* Scheme *whenever mention is made of the Word* Necklace.

In this Part then will be ſhewed that it is not unreaſonable that Remedies WORN *about a Human Body ſhould be* Anodyne, *& give relief in ſeveral Diſtempers: Which Word* Anodyne *ſignifies nothing elſe, but* an Eaſer of Pain, *from* α Privativ *&* ὀδύνη Dolor. *So that an* Anodyne Necklace, *is a* Necklace *to eaſe and take away Pain.*

CHAP. I. *Whether the* WEARING *of Remedies commonly called,* Amulets *and* Appensa, *can have any Effect upon a Human Body?*

THE Learned *Voſſius* in his Etymologicon, p. 27 ſays, That the Word *Amulet* ought rather to be writen and pronounced *Amolet*, from the Latin Word *Amoliri* to Aſſwage, Remove, or Send away. *Quia* Amoletum (ſays this Author) *eſt Medicamentum quo Morbos vel Mala conamur Amoliri.* Hence Dr. Wolf Profeſſor of Phyſick at *Jena* in *Germany*. Scrut. Med. p. 23. Defines an *Amulet* in General to be, *Res, variis partibus corporis ſenſitivi contra ipſius Morbos vel Mala, Curationis atque Preſervationis gratia* SUSPENSA. So that *any* Remedy *Hung* or *Worn* about *any* part of a Human Body, for any ailment or Diſtemper, is what Phyſicians call an *Amulet*: and which Remedy obtains a different Name, according to the different parts of the Body it is applied to: If *Worn*, or in any manner whatſoever *Hung* about the Neck (as moſt *Amulets* are, *Collum enim*, ſays Dr. Wolf, p. 26. *præcipua eſt pars cui Amuleta applicantur*) 'tis called a NECKLACE: If about the Waſte, 'tis a *Girdle*: If Worn on the Finger (as for the Cramp) 'tis called a *Ring*, *&c.*

Remedies of this kind are no new Inventions: Ancient as well as Modern Phyſicians having always had a due conſideration for them, calling them by the General Name of *Appenſa* or Appended remedies, *a Pendendo* from the Latin *Pendeo*, becauſe they produte their Effect by being only HUNG or *Worn* about a Human Body. And amongſt which in particular, *Non contemnenda ſunt* Amuleta COLLO *alligenda* (i. e. Phyſical Necklaces) ſays *Tappius* (Dr. of Phyſick at Helmſtadt in Germany) lib. de ſen. int. fac. c. 8. *cum ea tam Veteres quam Recentiores valde commendent.*

But that which is beyond all the Authority or even Reaſoning in the World, is MATTER OF FACT; and therefore the moſt undeniable Proof that can be brought of the Poſſibility of Phyſical *Necklaces* in Particular, being only *WORN* about the Neck to produce a moſt ſenſible effect on the Perſons that *Wear* them, is from ſome few examples which are ſo evident, and by conſequence do ſo undeniably prove it, that the greateſt Adverſary in the World to this Doctrine muſt acquieſce to it.

One Example is: Take about thirty Cantharides or Spaniſh Flies, and Sew them up in a Ribband to go about the Neck, & let any Perſon *Wear* them by way of a Necklace: The Perſon will ſoon find, that this is no Inſignificant *Necklace*; For 'tis above Ten to One odds, but this Necklace (by being only thus *Worn*,) will cauſe a pain in the Bladder, with a bloody Urine.

Another Example is this: Sew up ſome Quick ſilver in a Ribband to go round the Neck, and let any Perſon *Wear* it by way of a *Necklace*: In a little time the Perſon will find their Gums, Jaws, Throat, Tonſils, and Jugular Glands to ſwell, and their Teeth looſned, attended with an unuſual Spitting, not unlike to a ſmall Salivation. So alſo the *Wearing* only of Arſenick, and other ſuch prejudicial Things made up like a Necklace; will produce *moſt* dangerous *Effects* on the Perſons that only *Wear* them.

Now can any Perſon ſo betray their Judgment, as to ſay, that the *WEARING* of theſe *Necklaces* is a *Chip in Pottage*, & of no Efficacy, when their Effects are ſo manifeſt? Since therefore 'tis ſo evident, that the *Wearing* only of theſe prejudicial Necklaces thus do harm; it muſt be granted, for the ſame Reaſons (*ſervatâ proportione*) that the *Wearing* of a Good *Necklace* may profit and do *Good*.

CHAP. II. *Of the Generally received Uſe of Phyſical* NECKLACES *for Children, by Authors both Ancient and Modern.*

THAT memorable Example (which will never be forgot) of *Galen* who lived in the 5th Century, Firſt preſents it ſelf; who (*l. 6. De Simp. Med. fac.*) ſays expreſly that he often Cured Children of the Falling-Sickneſs by only a certain NECKLACE put about their Necks. And of one of Which Children in particular he expreſly ſays, *COLLO ſuſpendimus* (meaning the Necklace) *ac deinceps prorſus ſanus effectus eſt* Puer; *nec poſtea convulſus eſt*. And l. 9. he recommends another Phyſical Necklace made of certain Medicinal Stones. TORQUEM *ex hujuſmodi lapillis confectum* COLLO SUSPENSUM *prodeſſe*. And a little after recommends another phyſical *Necklace* for Children, and expreſly ſays that *Si* COLLO SUSPENDERIS *mirificè proderit*.

Nor was Galen the firſt Broacher of this Doctrine. *Ætius Amidenus*, a Phyſician in Greece a 100 Years before Galen, in his Quaternio. c. 34. recommends a *Necklace* for Children's *Teeth*, *Si* Collo *pueri Appendatur*. *Pliny* who lived in the firſt Age of Chriſtianity about 400 Years before *Galen*. l. 30. c. 15. ſpeaking of a Necklace to be *Worn* by Children for their Teeth, ſays, that *Appenſus Infanti, Mirifice* Dentitioni *prodeſt*; *Et Facilem* Dentitionem *præſtat*.

And ſome Years before *Pliny*'s time, Æmilius Macer a Phyſician in *Italy*, in his Opuſc. de herbarum virtutibus expreſſes the Virtue of a certain Necklace Worn about Children's Necks in thoſe Days for the Falling-Sickneſs in this celebrated Old Verſe.

SUSPENSUM COLLO Pueris *prodeſſe caducis*.

Balduinus Ronſeus Venatione Medica p. 65. mentions the uſe in his Days of a phyſical *Necklace* made of the Herb Fox Tongue, alſo in this Old Verſe.

Atque JUVAT *linguam vulpis* SUSPENDERE COLLO.

AS to Modern Phyſicians they are extraordinary Numerous, whoſe Suffrages phyſical Necklaces for Childrens Teeth have been honoured with. *Magno agmine Authorum teſtimonia nobis occurrunt* (ſays Dr. *Wolf*, p. 60.) *qui ſuadent ut* Amuleta *affigantur* COLLO. Bonaciolus an Eminent Italian Phyſician, De fœtus form. p. 328. recommends a Necklace for Children's Teeth in theſe Words, *Pueris quibus difficulter naſcuntur* Dentes *hoc remedium* COLLO Alligatum *facilem* Dentitionem *præſtat*.

And again ſpeaking of this ſame Necklace expreſly affirms it, Collo *alligatum* Dentitioni *mire prodeſſe*: Dentientis *morbos placare*: *Et* Dentientium *moleſtiam lenire*.—*Venturinus* an eminent Phyſician in *Italy*, *lib. de Medicina ab animalibus deſumpta*, poſitively affirms that a certain Necklace Collo *Infantis Suſpenſum facilitat Dentium exitum, ac procurat ut ſine dolore naſcantur*.

And again, *Si circa Collum geſtetur, Dolores* Dentium *auferuntur. Schmitzius* (another Italian Phyſician) in his *Compendio Medicinæ*, p. 53. Recommends a Necklace, *Infantibus Appendendum pro facili* Dentitione, Dr Wolf, p. 81. mentions a certain Necklace, Collo *appenſum peculiariter commendatum pro mitiganda moleſta* Dentitione. *Bartholomæus Anglicus lib. de proprietatibus rerum*, Recommends a Necklace for Childrens Teeth, and ſays that *Collo Infantis* Appenſum *accelerat* Dentitionem. — The Diſput. Med. Baſilienſ. diſp. 10. Recommend a certain Necklace for Childrens *Teeth*, in theſe Words, *Collo ſuſpendendus contra inquietantem* Dentitionem.——Rondeletius Profeſſor of Phyſick at Montpellier, lib. 32. c. 10. adviſes a certain Necklace to be *Worn* for the Teeth in theſe Words, *E Collo Puerorum Suſpendatur ut* Dentitionem *juvet.*

Camerarius an eminent *German* Phyſician, *Cent.* 6. recommends a Necklace for Children's Teeth *Collo Suſpenſum pro facili Dentium proventu.* And a little after ſays, that at Antwerp in the Low Countries, A certain Necklace ſaved a great many Children's Lives, whereas, without it great Numbers died. *Hoc* Amuletum (ſays this Author) *ſalubre fuiſſe compertum, cum multi* INFANTES *antea mortui fuerint.* Senertus Profeſſor of Phyſick at Wittemberg in Germany, Prax. Med. l. 2. p. 44. recommends a Necklace to be Worn by Children *In difficili* Dentitione.

The Great Dr *Willis* on the 29th of *June* 1666. preſcribed for the Right Honourable the Lord *Brook*'s Son an Infant a phyſical Necklace to be Worn about his Neck. Mich. Bapt. *p.* 1. 191. recommends a Necklace to be Worn by Children in theſe Words *Collo Infantium appenſa.* Smetius, p. 74. recommends a phyſical Necklace for Children *Si Infantium Collo ſuſpendatur.* Schenckius an eminent German phyſician. *Diſp. de Succino.* c. 7. Speaking of a certain Necklace for Children, ſays expreſly, *In dentium doloribus ad pueros preſervandos Collo Appendatur.* Albertus (Biſhop of Ratisbone, for his great Learning and Latitude of Knowledge [ſays Dr. Brown, Vulgar Errors. *p.* 33.] ſirnamed *Magnus*, *l. de virtut. herb.* recommends a *Necklace* for Childrens Teeth, and ſays expreſly if Children Wear it, *Sine dolore* Dentes *producent.* Dr. Culpeper, *p.* 4. *c.* 6. Tells us of his own Child that Cut 3 Teeth ſoon after a certain Necklace was put about its Neck.

Many more ſuch Inſtances as theſe might be brought out of Authors, but theſe are fully ſufficient to prove the Effects and Uſe of Phyſical *Necklaces.* And therefore as Mylius (an eminent German *Phyſician*) ſays, Antid. l. 1. c. 6. Speaking in praiſe of theſe Necklaces, *Mirum & incredibile videri non debet, à Medicinâ juvari poſſe hominem etſi, intro illam in corpus non aſſumat, ſed* DE COLLO *tantum* SUSPENSAM GESTET.

Since then Phyſical Necklaces are founded on the *Authorities* & *Practice* of ſo many learned *Authors*, they ought to be brought into Requeſt for the Eaſe and Benefit of Children: Theſe *Authors* being much more to be regarded then a few *Adverſaries* that may, Unjuſtly (as Dr. *Wolf* ſays, p. 678.) be againſt them. *Quibus plus Fidei habendum eſt, quam* Amuletorum Injurioſis Oſoribus.

CHAP. III. *Of the Use of the* Liquid *for the Gums which is Sealed up along with the Anodyne* NECKLACE.

WHenever you suspect that the Child is Breeding of its *Teeth*, or when you perceive its Gums to be *Spread* or *Swell'd*, *Sore*, or *Inflam'd* therewith, having first put the *Necklace* about its Neck to be *Worn* as other Necklaces are, let the *Nurse* or *Mother* put upon the end of their Finger a *Drop* or two of this Liquid, and Rub it gently *too & fro* over the painful Gum, according to the *Directions* Sealed up with the *Necklace*: This *Method* is in order to *Soften*, and insensibly open the *Sore Gums*, so as to give way for the EASY coming out of the *Teeth*, and for the Pain and Anguish to cease, that the Child may be restored to its former Ease and Tranquility. By which means numbers of Children, tho under great *Severity* of Pain have soon Cut their *Teeth*, with *Ease & Safety*, and have not only been saved from Death, but also have been bigger, stronger, and healthyer at 8 or 9 *Months* Old, than others at 12 or 18 *Months*, by having had [*thro God Almighty's Blessing and Assistance*] *Fits*, *Chin Coughs*, *Ruptures*, *Fevers*, *Convulsions* and other such *Ailments*, incident to Children, kept off and prevented to the unspeakable *Joy* of the Parents.

A Vast many of these Necklaces have been of late Years *Sold* [*being now used in numbers of Families*] to Persons who greatly magnify their Virtues, express their abundant *Satisfaction* in the use of them, and agree in this one *Point*, that they would not for any Thing but have had of 'em. And still what adds to the Value of this Necklace, is: That the late Dr. *Chamberlen* used to send numbers of Persons to buy it, which to be sure he would never have done, if he had not been convinced of its Virtues, as he was pleased himself often to testifie to those who enquired of him about it: So that any Person that uses this Necklace, does nothing less than follow the Great Dr. *Chamberlen*'s Advice, which no one can refuse in the abovementioned Cases.

This NECKLACE, with the Liquid for Softening & Opening the Gums of Children, are Sealed up with this *Seal*, with *Directions* in *English* (and *French*) for their Use, and also how to order and manage the Child under these afflicting Circumstances. Price both together 5 s. Or 48 *s.* a Dozen. At the Sign of this *Necklace* without Temple Bar. And is the only *Physical Necklace that* ever *Dr Chamberlen recommended.*

But those Persons who go to Mrs. *Garway*'s Shop at the *Royal Exchange* Gate to buy *This Necklace*, are desired to ask expressly for THIS *Anodyne Necklace* recommended by Dr. *Chamberlen*, which is put, together with a Bottle of the Liquid, up in a little Red Box, & sealed with this Seal, to prevent mistaking others instead of it.

THis Necklace is a proper Thing not only for A NEW YEARS GIFT for *God-Fathers*, *God-Mothers*, *Relations*, *Friends*, and *Acquaintance* to give to Children and Others at that time: But even for a PRESENT for any Relation, or Acquaintance to give their Friends at any time of the Year.

CHAP. IV. Instances of Succeſs of this Necklace.

MAjor *Spencer* and his Lady in *Bull-Inn-Court* in the *Strand*, are pleaſed to give leave that the World may know, that their *Grand Child* being dangerouſly ill with its Teeth, was to a Wonder ſoon relieved by only Wearing this Necklace.

MR. *Penny* and his Lady in *King-ſtreet*, St. *James's*, are pleaſed to give leave, that the World may know, that by puting [upon Dr. *Chamberlen's* Recommendation] about their Child's Neck this Necklace, it cut ſeveral of its Teeth, & never had any Illneſs, during the whole time, but Cut them ſo eaſily and all the time ſo thrived, and was ſo healthy and well, that a finer Child is ſcarce to be ſeen. Note, Mr. *Penny's* Expreſſion of this Necklace is, That it it worth its weight in Gold.

THE Child of Mr. *Baker*, next to *Ball-Inn-Court* in the *Strand*, having been extremely Worn away by Fits and a Fever, cauſed by its Teeth. Upon Dr. *Chamberlen's* recommendation This Necklace was put about its Neck; upon which the Fever and Fits ſoon left it, its Teeth cut without Pain and the Child has ever ſince thrived extremely.

I *Francis Hobbs*, Cook, at the *Windmill* in Newgate Market, hereby Teſtify that my Child having bred and cut its Teeth with wonderful Eaſe by wearing this Necklace, misfortunately the Necklace was loſt upon which the Child fell very ill; I preſently ſent for another, which had not been long about the Child's Neck, before it recovered again to the Amazement of us all, and continues a fine, luſty, healthy Boy.

I *Edward Lander*, *Lock-ſmith*, at the *Lock and Key* in *Goſwell-ſtreet*, certify that by wearing this Necklace my Child has bred and cut its Teeth with ſuch Eaſe, as all the time to have been in perfect Health, & free from thoſe Diſorders attending Children in theſe Circumſtances.

MY Child was ſo troubled with Fits from its Teeth, that its Life was deſpaired of; but by wearing this Necklace it recovered, never having had a Fit, after the Necklace was put on, and has worn it now above a Year. *May* 7. 1717. *Job Hodkinſon*, Gardiner in *Iſlington*.

MY Child being in ſuch Danger with its Teeth, that its Life was deſpaired of: By Wearing this Necklace it cut ſeveral without Pain & ſo recovered as to be in a little time as well as ever in its Life. *July* 22. 1717. *G. Mawham*, Smith in Pannier Ally, Pater-noſter-Row.

WE Charles and Mary Pearce, in *White-Horſe-Yard* in *King-ſtreet*, *Weſtminſter*, do hereby teſtify that our Child was ſo very ill with its Teeth, that it lay, as we thought and expected ready to expire: We ſent for this Necklace, and put it about its Neck; It had not Wore it above half an Hour but it got up upon its Feet to Play, to the Admiration of us all.

I *Stephen Hunton*, Preſs-maker, in *Fore-ſtreet*, near *Moorfields*, do hereby teſtifie, that my Child having been in extreme Danger with its Teeth, & thereby thrown into ſuch a violent Fever, that we expected nothing but its Death. We put this Necklace about its Neck: The Fever ſoon vaniſhed, and the Child has now cut all its Fore Teeth, and moſt of its great Ones, with Eaſe, never having been ill ſince it Wore it, which is now above 6 Months; *June* 7th 1717.

Upon this Succeſs, The Child of a Relation of Mr. *Hunton*, in *Southwark*, being ſo ill with its Teeth that its Life was deſpaired of; this Necklace was put about its Neck; and in an Hours time it was ſo relieved that it got up to Play.

HAving had 4 Children; The 1ſt died of its Teeth. The 2d and 3d were forced to have them Cut out with an Inſtrument. The 4th having had ſome Teeth Cut out alſo by a Surgeon, and being dangerouſly ill with a Fever occaſioned by more Teeth near Cutting, a Clergyman very much perſwaded the uſe of This Anodyne Necklace: It was put about the Childs Neck, upon which the Fever preſently left it, and it has ever ſince Cut its Eye and Other Teeth without any Notice of Pain or Trouble. Dec. 2. 1719. J. Payto Tallow Chandler in Guildford.

MY Child was ſo ill with its Teeth, that we thought it would Die: This Necklace was put about its Neck, by which it ſoon recovered, and Cut its Teeth without Pain. Sarah Akers, in Swan-Yard within Newgate.

A Child of the *Japaner's* in *Token-houſe Yard* in *Leadenhall-ſtreet*, being ſo waſted away with Sickneſs and its Teeth that its Life was deſpaired of, this Necklace was put on: it ſoon cut three Teeth without Pain, and from a weak, ſickly pining Infant, became a luſty ſtrong Child.

THE Child of Mrs *Parkes* in *Princes-Street*, *Soho*, being extreme ill with it's Teeth, this Necklace being put on, it ſoon recovered.